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COUNTY COUNCIL

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,

Hamilton, *23rd August*, 1909.

Sir,

SECONDARY EDUCATION.

I am to request your attendance at a Special Meeting of the County Council, to be held in the Jury Court No. 2, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), on *Wednesday, 1st proximo, at 3 o'clock p.m.*, for the purpose of appointing, if so resolved, Six representatives to serve on the Committee on Secondary Education for this County.

A Print of the Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, under which the appointment of representatives falls to be made, will be sent to you before the date of meeting.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK

County Offices,
Hamilton, *4th October, 1909.*

Sir,

I am directed to intimate that the Statutory October Meeting of the County Council will be held in the County Hall, Hamilton, *on Thursday, 14th current, at Twelve o'clock noon,* for the purpose of receiving a Report of Consent to Capital Works and Borrowing by the Standing Joint-Committee, and of receiving and disposing of Minutes of the County Road Board and the Finance Committee and other Committees, of which copies will be sent to Members of the Council before the date of Meeting; of fixing the rate in the pound of the rateable property which is necessary to meet the deficiency in the County Fund in respect of each branch of expenditure subject to the control of the Council, or for which it is responsible in whole or in part; and of imposing the same on the lands and heritages in the County, or within the divisions or districts thereof, as the case may be, and as the law directs—all for the year ending 15th May, 1910.

There will also be submitted to the Meeting Reports by the County Road Board and the Finance Committee, prints of which will be sent to the Members of the Council before the date of Meeting.

Prints of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 13th May last, and of Special Meetings, held on 13th May and 1st ultimo, are sent herewith.

I subjoin a Notice of Motion which has been given to me.

The meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Notice of Motion by Mr. Alexander Hamilton, countersigned by Mr. William Neilson:—

"That all Minutes of the County Council and the Council's Committees be signed by the Chairman at the meeting at which they are passed."

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

COUNTY HALL, HAMILTON,

On THURSDAY, 14th OCTOBER, 1909,

AT TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.
2. Sederunt to be taken.
3. Statutory Authority for and Notice of Meeting to be read.
4. Minutes of Statutory Meeting of the Council held on 13th May, 1909.
5. Minutes of Special Meeting of the Council, held on 13th May, 1909.
6. Minutes of Special Meeting of the Council, held on 1st September, 1909.
7. Report of Consent by the Standing Joint-Committee.
8. Report of the County Road Board.
9. Report of Finance Committee and Estimate of Rates.
10. Consider Estimates and impose Rates.
11. Fix date for payment of Rates and date for lodging Appeals.
12. Appoint Committees for hearing and disposing of Appeals.
13. Instruct as to collection of Rates charged on Railway Companies.
14. Appoint Collectors of consolidated Rates, and fix Rates of commission.
15. Remit to Finance Committee to make regulations for collection of Rates, with powers.
16. Reports by District Committees—
    (1) Upper Ward.
    (2) Middle Ward.
    (3) Lower Ward.

17. Report by County Analyst under the Sale of Food and Drugs Act for quarter ending 30th June, 1909.

18. Report by District Agricultural Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, for quarter ending 30th June, 1909.

19. Minutes of the following Committees—

(1) Valuation Committee for Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards, of date 13th May, 1909.

Upper Ward, of date 13th September, 1909.

Middle Ward, of dates 14th and 16th September, 1909.

Lower Ward, of dates 17th and 30th September, 1909.

(2) Public Health Committee, of dates 19th May and 2nd June, 1909.

(3) Inebriates Committee, of dates 20th May and 6th October, 1909.

(4) Weights and Measures Committee, of dates 26th May, 23rd June, and 22nd Sepember, 1909.

(5) Executive Committee, of dates 26th May, 23rd June, and 22nd September, 1909.

(6) Finance Committee, of dates 2nd June, 1st September, and 29th September, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* County's Claim against Burgh of Motherwell, of date 7th July, 1909.

(*a*) £32 12s. 3d. for the taking over of a sewer in Dean Street and Davidson Street within the Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District;

(*b*) £1,800 for the construction of a public slaughter-house at Uddingston;

(*c*) £52 for the construction of a new sewer within the Stonehouse Special Drainage District;

(*d*) £45 for the purchase of additional lanterns for Bothwell Special Lighting District;

(*e*) £115 for the construction of an automatic storm-water diverter, and the laying of bye-pass pipe to Myres Burn within the Uddingston Special Drainage District;

(*f*) £85 for the construction of a culvert in Manse Garden within the Bothwell Special Drainage District;

(*g*) £200 for the widening and improving of Dyke Street, Baillieston, in the Parish of Old Monkland;

(*h*) £4,500 for the provision and erection of new Nurses' Home at the Middle Ward Hospital, near Motherwell;

(*i*) £490 for the construction of a new sewer to convey the sewage from Stonehouse Hospital to a sewer within the Stonehouse Special Drainage District;

(*j*) £12 for the erection of new lamps within the Carmyle Special Lighting District;

(*k*) £300 for the purchase of an additional spring, and the cost of connecting up same with the pipes in the Lesmahagow Special Water District;

(*l*) £50 for the completion of intake of additional springs to Crawford Special Water District;

(*m*) £1,800 for the construction of a public slaughter-house at Stonehouse;

(*n*) £350 for the construction of a new sewer in North Road, Bellshill, within the Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District;

(*o*) £54 for the purchase of new incandescent lanterns for Uddingston Special Lighting District;

(*p*) £54 3s. 10d. for the completion of sewage purification works at Burnbrae in connection with the East Kilbride Special Drainage District;

(*q*) £135 for the widening and improvement of the north side of Glasgow and Hamilton Highway from Victoria Street to Station Road, Blantyre;

(*r*) £907 15s. for the widening and improvement of Brigg Brae Mill Highway and others within the Middle Ward District;

(*s*) £200 for the widening and improvement of Dyke Street, Baillieston;

(*t*) £35 for alterations at sewage purification works of Stepps Special Drainage District;

(*u*) £26 for the laying of water-pipe in Auchenairn Road within the North Cadder Special Water District;

(*v*) £110 for the extension of main in Blenheim Avenue, Stepps, and the laying of pipe in road from East Muckcroft Farm steading to Stoneyetts within the South Cadder Special Water District;

(*w*) £900, being excess capital expenditure in connection with the construction of sewage purification works for Bishopbriggs and Auchenairn Special Drainage District;

(*x*) £325, being excess capital expenditure in connection with the construction of sewers and sewage purification works for Stepps Special Drainage District;

(*y*) £350 for the provision and erection of lamps, &c., within the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District;

(*z*) £1,000 for the construction of sewage purification works in connection with the Middle Ward Hospital.

(7) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of dates 2nd June and 18th August, 1909.

(8) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 23rd June, 14th July, 4th August, 8th September, and 6th October, 1909.

Sub-Committee on Shop Hours Act, of dates 13th May and 4th August, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Glasgow Corporation Bill, of date 4th June, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Fire Brigades, of dates 23rd June, 22nd and 29th September, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* House Letting and Rating Bill, &c., of dates 8th and 15th September, 1909.

(9) Joint-Sub-Committee *re* Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, of date 30th June, 1909.

(10) Joint Meeting of Parliamentary Bills Committee and Joint Sub-Committee *re* Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, of date 4th August, 1909.

(11) County Road Board, of date 1st September, 1909.

(12) Committee on Special Districts, of date 15th September, 1909.

(13) Special Committee *re* Hairmyres Reformatory, of date 6th October, 1909.

(14) Explosives Committee for Hamilton J.P. District, of date 30th April, 1909.

20. Notice of Motion by Mr. Alexander Hamilton relative to the signing of Minutes.

21. Communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, dated 21st September, intimating a resolution by the District Committee to increase his salary as District Clerk and Treasurer from £280 to £330 per annum as from 15th August last.

22. Communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, dated 30th September, with reference to a metal depot on the side of Edinburgh Highway near Salsburgh in the Parish of Shotts.

23. Communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward, dated 5th August, transmitting copy Interlocutor by Sheriff-Substitute Scott Moncrieff in the Appeal at the instance of Mr. A. J. C. Farie, of Farme, against the resolution of the District Committee extending the boundaries of the Barony Special Drainage District by including, *inter alia*, the lands of Westthorn,

24. Deeds for signature—

(1) Feu Contract between Sir John Wilson, Bart., and the County Council of site of Bellshill Destructor Works; and

(2) Minute of agreement between Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, of Lee and Carnwath, Bart., and the County Council and Upper Ward District Committee (Carnwath Purification Works).

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

13th May, 1909.

At LANARK, and within the County Hall, there, upon Thursday, 13th May, 1909, being the May Statutory Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, intimated and called in terms of the notice hereinafter inserted.

Present—

John Allison.	Roderick Macleay.
James Anderson.	William Neilson.
James R. Auld.	Alexander Pillans.
Walter C. B. Chrystie.	James Scott.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.	John D. Scott.
William Davie.	William Speirs.
James H. Fenton.	Colonel King Stewart.
George Fraser.	William Sym.
Thomas Fulton.	William Templeton.
Richard Gibb.	James Tonner.
Nathaniel Gold.	James Logan.
Walter J. Grant.	William L. Dyer.
Alexander Hamilton.	Hugh Reid.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	John P. Campbell.
John Jackson.	James Stewart.
Robert Lambie.	David Wardley.
Colonel Logan.	George Green.
A. D. Mack.	Joseph Halley.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.	John Stewart.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.	James Young.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, Convener of the County, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, in terms of Section 73 (2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, which was in the following terms:— *Notice calling meeting.*

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,

Hamilton. *4th May, 1909.*

Sir,

I am to intimate that the Statutory May Meeting of the County Council will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, on Thursday, 13th current, at Twelve o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving and disposing of the Minutes and Reports of Committees, and any communications from the District Committees, and of appointing Committees, Commissions, and Boards, so far as these fall to be then appointed.

The meeting may, if so resolved, proceed, in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, to fill up the casual vacancies in the representation of Cambuslang North and Possil Electoral Divisions on the County Council caused by the disqualifications of Mr. Archibald Fyfe and Mr. Peter Purden respectively.

Prints of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council held on 15th December, 1908, and of the Special Meeting held on 3rd February last are sent herewith.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, SIR.

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

P.S.—A Meeting of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, immediately after the Meeting of the Commissioners of Supply of the County, which is to be held on the same day, at Two o'clock p.m., for the appointment of a Chairman and Sub-Committees, and the transaction of other business.

Minutes of meeting.

The minutes of the statutory meeting of the Council, held on 15th December, 1908, and of the special meeting, held on 3rd February last, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, were submitted, and the same were approved of.

Vacancy in Cambuslang North Electoral Division. — Mr. David J. Black appointed.

The meeting having proceeded to fill up the vacancy in Cambuslang North Electoral Division caused by the disqualification of Mr. Archibald Fyfe, Mr. David J. Black, National Bank, Cambuslang, was, on the motion of Mr. Gibb, seconded by Mr. Tonner, unanimously elected to represent the said electoral division on the County Council for the remaining period of the present Council's term of office, all in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889. There was submitted to the meeting a letter from Mr. Black intimating that he was prepared to accept office if approved.

Vacancy in Possil Electoral Division.— Mr. William Davie appointed.

The meeting having thereafter proceeded to fill up the vacancy in the representation of Possil Electoral Division caused by the disqualification of Mr. Peter Purden, there was submitted a petition signed by a number of rate-payers in the said division in favour of the appointment of Mr. William Davie, Duncombe, Over Possil. The meeting, on the motion of the convener, unanimously elected Mr. Davie to represent the Possil Electoral Division on the County Council for the remaining period of the present Council's term of office, all in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889.

Mr. Davie, who was in attendance, entered the meeting, and having intimated his acceptance of the office his name was added to the sederunt.

The meeting agreed that Mr. Black and Mr. Davie should each be appointed to the respective committees, boards, or quotas of boards or joint-committees of which Mr. Fyfe and Mr. Purden were members.

Report of consent of Standing Joint-Committee.

There was submitted a report of consent of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County, given in pursuance of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, in relation to capital works and to the borrowing of the sums necessary to meet the expense thereof (forming Appendix I. to this minute), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

Fourth Annual Report on Inebriate Reformatory at Hairmyres.

There was submitted the fourth annual report on the Certified Inebriate Reformatory at Hairmyres for the year ended 31st December last (forming Appendix II. to this minute), which had been prepared in terms of the Regulations issued by the Secretary for Scotland, and of which a copy had been sent to each member of the Council.

Report by Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

There was laid before the meeting a report by the Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures for the year ending 14th March last (forming Appendix III. to this minute), which had also been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

Reports of Analyst under Food and Drugs Acts.

In terms of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, there were laid before the meeting reports by the Public Analyst upon articles analysed by him during the quarters ending 31st December, 1908, and 31st March last (forming Appendices IV. and V. to this minute), which had also been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

Reports of Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act.

Reports by the District Analyst under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act for the quarters ending 31st December, 1908, and 31st March last (forming Appendices VI. and VII. to this minute), which had also been printed and sent to each member of the Council, were submitted.

Return of expenses of deputations.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a return of the expenses of deputations for the year 1908 (forming Appendix VIII. to this minute), which had been prepared in accordance with the resolutions adopted by the Council at their meetings on 11th May, 1899, and 15th December, 1908, and which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

County Medical Officer's report.

The Clerk laid upon the table in draft form the County Medical Officer's report for the year 1908, prints of which, when completed, would, he stated, be sent to each member of the Council.

Reports of Sanitary Inspectors.

There were laid upon the table copies of the reports of the County Sanitary Inspectors for the Upper and Lower Wards of the County for the year 1908.

Minutes of committees.

The following minutes of committees, of which prints had been sent to each member of the Council, were laid before the meeting:—

(1) Weights and Measures Committee, of dates 23rd December, 1908, 27th January, 24th February, 24th March, and 28th April, 1909.

(2) Committee on Special Districts, of dates 23rd and 30th December, 1908, 31st March and 21st April, 1909.

(3) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 30th December, 1908, 17th February, 3rd and 31st March, and 5th May, 1909.

Joint Sub-Committee *re* Glasgow Corporation Order, 1909, of dates 23rd December, 1908, 7th, 21st, and 23rd April, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Fire Brigades, &c., of dates 3rd March and 5th May, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c., Order, of date 10th March, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Children Act, 1908, of date 7th April, 1909.

Sub-Committee on Shop Hours Act, 1904, of date 7th April, 1909.

(4) Inebriates Committee, of dates 6th January, 17th February, 10th and 24th March, and 14th April, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Garden at Hairmyres, of date 28th October, 1908.

(5) Unemployed Workmen Act, of date 17th February, 1909.

(6) Finance Committee, of dates 6th January, 3rd February, 3rd March, 7th April, and 8th May, 1909.

(7) Committee on Electric Lighting Orders, of date 6th January, 1909.

(8) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of date 15th January, 1909.

(9) Executive Committee, of dates 13th January and 5th May, 1909.

(10) Technical Education Committee, of dates 20th January and 31st March, 1909.

(11) Public Health Committee, of dates 20th January and 24th March, 1909.

(12) Committee on Petroleum Acts, of dates 10th February and 7th April, 1909.

(13) Committee on Hamilton Court Houses, &c., of date 19th February, 1909.

(14) Committee on Appeals against Assessments—

Upper Ward—of date 3rd March, 1909.
Airdrie District—of date 24th February, 1909.
Hamilton District—of date 24th February, 1909.
Lower Ward—of date 26th February, 1909.

(15) County Road Board, of dates 3rd March and 5th May, 1909.

Conference between officials and representatives of Automobile Club, of date 16th February, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Road of Access to Mavis Valley, of date 10th March, 1909.

(16) Explosives Committee (Hamilton District), of date 29th January, 1909.

(17) Explosives Committee (Airdrie District), of date 7th April, 1909.

(18) Joint-Bridges Committee, of date 4th February, 1908

List of ferries.

As relative to the minutes of the County Road Board, the Clerk submitted a List of Ferries made up under Section 11 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, which the Clerk was instructed to publish in terms of the provisions of that section.

Approval of minutes of County Road Board and committees.

The minutes of the County Road Board and the various committees above named were unanimously approved of.

Road Surveyors' Reports, Specifications, and Estimates.—Date for submission to District Committees.

Under reference to the minutes of the County Road Board, of date 5th May, the meeting, in terms of Section 20 (2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, resolved that in future the Road Surveyors' Reports, Specifications, and Estimates should be submitted to the District Committees not later than the 15th day of June in each year, and that they should be transmitted to the County Clerk not later than the 15th day of August.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The meeting thereafter resolved, in accordance with the recommendations contained in the minutes of the Finance Committee, to borrow the following sums on the security of the rates chargeable therewith, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, in terms of the Statute, and it was remitted to the Finance Committee to obtain the amounts when required, and to fix the time or times within which they shall be repaid, and the meeting authorised the Convener or Vice-Convener and the Clerk to sign the minutes attached to the several applications, viz.:—

(*a*) £77 for the construction of a new sewer near Gorbals Cross, Larkhall, within the Larkhall Special Drainage District;

(*b*) £300 for the completion and equipment of Larkhall and Blantyre Public Slaughter-houses;

(*c*) £400 for the acquisition of minerals under the Middle Ward Hospital site near Motherwell:

(*d*) £270 for the construction of a new bridge at Majescroft Ford, in the Parish of New Monkland, with approach thereto;

(*e*) £31 5s. for the erection of lamps and lamp-posts within the recent Extension of the Lambhill Special Lighting District;

(*f*) £105 13s. 9d. for the acquisition of a sewer in Sandyhills Road, within the Barony Special Drainage District;

(*g*) £3,500 for the construction of an additional sand filter at Glasford, being part of the Middle Ward Water Undertaking;

(*h*) £490 for the improvement and widening of Stewartgill Bridge, &c., on the Lanark and Hamilton Highway, Parish of Dalserf.

(*i*) £800 for the completion of new distributing mains within Blackwood Special Water District;

(*j*) £100 for the extension of distributing pipes, &c., within Crawford Special Water District;

(*k*) £250 for further extensions and alterations at Roadmeetings Hospital, Carluke;

(*l*) £700 for the construction of new outfall sewer within Law Special Drainage District;

(*m*) £8,233 for the providing and laying of a new main pipe from Salsburgh Tank to Shotts Reservoir—Work No. 3 of Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, 1908;

(*n*) £25 for the provision of new lamps within Larkhall Special Lighting District;

(*o*) £168 for the construction of a new sewer at Kyle Park, and the erection of ventilating shafts at Clydeford Drive, within the Uddingston Special Drainage District;

(*p*) £5,000 for the construction of new footpaths within the Middle Ward District during the year 1909-1910;

(*q*) £50 for the construction of fireplugs on the distributing mains in the Douglas Special Water District;

(*r*) £60 for the widening of Stonefield Highway, at No. 4 Pit level crossing, in the Parish of Blantyre;

(*s*) £125 for the construction of a new sewer in Cemetery Road, within the Blantyre Special Drainage District;

(*t*) £168 for the widening of Fullwood Highway, at New Stevenston School, in the Parish of Bothwell;

(*u*) £20 9s. for the completion of urinal at Halfway, Cambuslang, within the Cambuslang Special Scavenging District;

(*v*) £132 3s. 3d. for the acquisition of sewer in Peveril Avenue, Rutherglen, within the Rutherglen (Landward) Special Drainage District;

(*w*) £2,493—Lower Ward District Committee's proportion of £10,500, being cost of constructing East Intercepting Sewer jointly with the Burgh of Rutherglen;

(*x*) £31 10s. for extensions of water pipes at (1) proposed road near Lilybank Road, Muirhead; (2) proposed road near Farnqueen; and (3) Blenheim Avenue, Stepps, within the South Cadder Special Water District.

Appointment of committees.

The meeting thereafter proceeded to appoint, and appointed the following committees, viz.:—

I.—Quota of Standing Joint-Committee.

James Anderson.
Duncan C. Barr.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
Alexander Pillans.
James Scott.
William Speirs.

II.—Executive Committee under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

John Allison.
J. P. Baird.
William Barr.
John P. Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
John F. Cochran.
Thomas G. Cowan.
Thomas Fulton.
A. G. Barns Graham.
George Green.
Alexander Hamilton.
John Jackson.
James Logan.
A. D. Mack.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Wardrop Moore.
Andrew K. M'Cosh.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Roderick Macleay.
James Prentice.
Hugh Reid.
John D. Scott.
Stuart Spence.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Young.

III.—Finance Committee.

William Barr.
Colonel Buchanan.
George Fraser.
David J. Black.
Richard Gibb.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
A. G. Barns Graham.
Walter J. Grant.
George Green.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
William Kerr.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Logan.
A. D. Mack.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Alexander M'William.
William Neilson.
Alexander Pillans.
John D. Scott.
William Templeton.
James C. Hope Vere.

This committee were invested with all the powers which the County Council can competently delegate to them as a Finance Committee.

IV.—Valuation Committees.

(1) *For the Upper Ward.*

John Allison.
J. P. Baird.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Walter Lindsay.
Colonel Logan.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Alexander Pillans.
John D. Scott.
James C. Hope Vere.

(2) *For the Middle Ward.*

Colonel Buchanan.
Thomas G. Cowan.
Wm. L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
David J. Black.
Richard Gibb.
A. G. Barns Graham.
Robert Lambie.
James Logan.
A. D. Mack.
Wardrop Moore.
Stuart Spence.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

(3) *For the Lower Ward.*

John Adam.
James Anderson.
James R. Auld.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Walter J. Grant.
Peter M. Martin.
Lawrence Maxton.
John M'Feat.
A. B. Mackendrick.
Alexander M'William
William Davie.
James Stewart.
John Stewart.
James Young.
David Watson.

V.—Committee for Managing the Court Houses and the County Buildings at Hamilton.

Duncan C. Barr.
William Barr.
John F. Cochran.
George Fraser.
David J. Black.
A. G. Barns Graham.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
James Logan.
William M. Marshall.
Wardrop Moore.
James Scott.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
Thomas F. Wilson.

VI.—Committee for Managing the Court Houses and County Buildings at Lanark.

John Allison.
J. P. Baird.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Colonel Logan.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Alexander Pillans.
John D. Scott.
James C. Hope Vere.

VII.—The County's Quota of the Glasgow Court House Commission.

John P. Campbell.
Walter J. Grant.
Joseph Halley.
Lawrence Maxton.
William Miller.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
John M'Feat.
James Prentice.
David Wardley.
David Watson.
Thomas F. Wilson.

VIII.—Committee on Parliamentary Bills.

Duncan C. Barr.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
A. G. Barns Graham.
Walter J. Grant.
George Green.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
James Logan.
A. D. Mack.
W. M. Marshall.
Peter M. Martin.
Lawrence Maxton.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell
A. B. Mackendrick.
William Neilson.
John D. Scott.
William Speirs.
Stuart Spence.
James Stewart.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Templeton.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas F. Wilson.

Powers of Parliamentary Bills Committee.

This committee were invested with powers to watch over and attend to Bills in Parliament, excepting those that the Council may remit to any other committee, and to take such steps thereanent as they may consider necessary, and to oppose or support any measure, local or otherwise, which, in their opinion, affects the interests of the County, and for these purposes to petition Parliament in name of the Council, and to employ agents and counsel and witnesses, and to do otherwise and farther in relation thereto as they may consider proper, and as the Council collectively could do.

Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905.—Committee.

The meeting further appointed the members of the Parliamentary Bills Committee above named, with the addition of Mr. James Tonner, to be a Special Committee under the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905,

Shop Hours Acts, 1892 to 1904.

The Parliamentary Bills Committee were also vested with the full powers of the Council under the Shop Hours Acts, 1892 to 1904.

IX.—Committees to represent the Council as Local Authority under the Explosives Acts.

(1) *For the Glasgow Justice of Peace District.*

William Davie.
Lawrence Maxton.
John M'Feat.
Alexander M'William.
John Stewart.
David Watson.

(2) *For the Hamilton Justice of Peace District.*

Duncan C. Barr.
William Barr.
Wm. L. Dyer.
Alexander Fletcher.
A. G. Barns Graham.
John Jackson.
Wardrop Moore.
James Scott.
George Stalker.
James Tonner.

(3) *For the Airdrie Justice of Peace District.*

W. W. Chapman.
Richard Gibb.
A D. Mack.
James Prentice.
Colonel King Stewart.
John Watt.

(4) *For the Lanark Justice of Peace District.*

John Allison
J. P. Baird.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.
James H. Fenton.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Hope Vere.

X.—Committee on Weights and Measures.

John P. Campbell.
Thomas G. Cowan.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.
William Davie.
Alexander Fletcher.
Thomas Fulton.
A. G. Barns Graham.
Joseph Halley.
Alexander Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
James Prentice.
Hugh Reid.
Stuart Spence.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.
David Wardley.

XI.—Committee on Technical Education.

John Adam.
A. G. Barns Graham.
Alexander Hamilton.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
A. D. Mack.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Alexander Pillans.
William Speirs.
William Templeton.

XII.—Public Health Committee.

John Adam.
J. P. Baird.
David J. Black.
Colonel Buchanan.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Thos. G. Cowan.
James H. Fenton.
Thomas Fulton.
A. G. Barns Graham.
Alexander Hamilton.
John Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
A. D. Mack.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
James Prentice.
John D. Scott.
William Speirs.
Stuart Spence.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas F. Wilson.

XIII.—Committee on Special Districts and Questions arising out of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894.

John Adam.
James Anderson.
James R. Auld.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Thomas Fulton.
A. G. Barns Graham.
Alexander Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
A. D. Mack.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
Alexander Pillans.
James Prentice.
John D. Scott.
Stuart Spence.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.
John Watt.
Thomas F. Wilson.

This committee were entrusted with all the powers of the Council with respect to the formation of special lighting and scavenging districts under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, and amending Acts.

XIV.—Committee under Inebriates Acts

William Barr.
John P. Campbell.
Walter C. B. Christie.
James H. Fenton.
A. G. Barns Graham.
Walter J. Grant.
George Green.
Alexander Hamilton.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
John D. Scott.
Thomas F. Wilson.

XV.—Committee on Elections.

John Adam.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
A. G. Barns Graham.
George Green.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
Alexander Pillans.
Hugh Reid.
John D. Scott.
James Stewart.
William Templeton.
David Wardley.
Thomas F. Wilson.
James Young.

XVI.—Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting and Refuse Destruction Works.

David J. Black.
Colonel Buchanan.
A. G. Barns Graham.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
James Tonner.
Thomas F. Wilson.

XVII.—Committee on Petroleum Acts.

Colonel Logan.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Colonel Buchanan.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Neilson.
Richard Gibb.
James R. Auld.
Walter J. Grant.

XVIII.—Business Committee.

The Convener and the Vice-Convener of the County and the Chairmen of the District Committees for the time being.

The meeting agreed that each committee should appoint its own chairman and fix its quorum, unless where otherwise provided by Statute.

Resolution altering and enlarging Barony Drainage District.

There was submitted for the information of the Council a letter from the Clerk to the Lower Ward District Committee, dated 19th March last, transmitting copy of a resolution altering and enlarging the existing boundaries of the Barony Special Drainage District.

Communication from Under-Secretary for Scotland regarding Carnegie Hero Fund.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a communication from the Under-Secretary for Scotland, dated 29th December last, directing attention to the purposes of the Carnegie Hero Fund and the nature of the services which are to be recognised as affording a title to participation in its benefits, and transmitting a copy of an explanatory letter prepared by the trustees on the subject. The Clerk stated that he had sent to each member of the Council a copy of the letter from the trustees.

Communication from District Committee of Midäle Ward granting honorarium to District Clerk.

There having been submitted a communication from the District Committee of the Middle Ward, dated 6th current, transmitting a copy of a resolution by the District Committee granting an honorarium of £250 to the District Clerk and Treasurer in respect of Parliamentary work performed by him, the meeting approved.

Communication from Parish Council of Dalserf representing necessity for additional representation.

There was submitted and read to the meeting a letter from the Dalserf Parish Council, of date 6th May current, directing the attention of the Council to the need for additional representation being afforded Dalserf Parish on the Council, and requesting that the existing Electoral Divisions be revised with the object of giving additional representation. The meeting remitted the communication to the Committee on Elections to consider and report.

Representation of Shettleston on County Council.

The question of the representation of the Shettleston district on the County Council having been again raised, it was remitted to the Parliamentary Bills Committee to ascertain what steps, if any, could be taken with a view to removing the difficulty of giving increased representation to that district should the Council so resolve, and to report.

Medical examination and supervision of school children.—Proposed appointment of Dr. Wilson to inaugurate scheme.

The Clerk submitted a communication from the Secondary Education Committee on the subject of the medical examination and supervision of school children under the Education (Scotland) Act, 1908, requesting the consent of the County Council to the appointment of Dr. John T. Wilson, County Medical Officer, to inaugurate a scheme and supervise the work in future, should it ultimately be resolved to make such appointment. After discussion, the meeting agreed to give their consent.

Communication from Mr. William Malcolm, Organising Secretary for Education.

The Clerk also laid before the meeting a communication from Mr. William Malcolm, the Organising Secretary of Technical Education in the County, stating that, under the provisions of the Education (Scotland) Act, 1908, he ceased to hold office under the County Council, and thanking the Council for the kindness which he had received from them during his period of service.

On the motion of Mr. Lambie, it was agreed to record in the Minutes an expression of the Council's appreciation of the valuable services rendered to the County by Mr. Malcolm in connection with the promotion of Technical Education.

Deed for signature.

There was laid before the meeting for signature a feu contract between Mr. James Barrie and the County Council in connection with Forth Water Supply, and the meeting authorised any two members of the Council to sign the same in the name and on behalf of the County Council, and instructed the Clerk to attach to it the Common Seal of the County.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

13th May, 1909.

At LANARK, and within the County Hall, there, upon Thursday, 13th May, 1909, being a Special General Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, intimated and called in terms of the Notice hereinafter inserted.

Present—

John Allison.	William Neilson.
James Anderson.	Alexander Pillans.
James R. Auld.	James Scott.
Walter C. B. Christie.	John Dick Scott.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.	William Speirs.
William Davie.	Colonel King Stewart.
James H. Fenton.	William Sym.
George Fraser.	William Templeton.
Thomas Fulton.	James Tonner.
Richard Gibb.	James Logan.
Nathaniel Gold.	William L. Dyer.
Walter J. Grant.	Hugh Reid.
Alexander Hamilton.	John P. Campbell.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	James Stewart.
John Jackson.	David Wardley.
Robert Lambie.	George Green.
Colonel Logan.	Joseph Halley.
A. D. Mack.	John Stewart.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.	James Young.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.	Roderick Macleay

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, Convener of the County, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms, viz.:— *Notice calling meeting.*

"COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, *4th May, 1909.*

"Sir,

"I am directed to intimate that a Special General Meeting of the County Council will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, on Thursday, 13th current, at One o'clock p.m., or immediately after the Statutory Meeting

of the Council to be held the same day, to consider the following Provisional Order or Private Bill, viz:—

"HAMILTON BURGH.

"To confer further powers on the Corporation of the Burgh of Hamilton in relation to their Electricity and Gas Undertakings; to authorise the appropriation and use of the Public Washing Green for sewage purification purposes; to extend the period for the repayment of moneys borrowed for those and other purposes; to confer powers on the Corporation in relation to the searching for and working of minerals; to repeal the powers of the Justices of the Peace to grant licences for theatres, &c., within the Burgh; to provide for the reinstatement of the capital of certain mortifications and charities vested in the Corporation; to amend certain public and local Acts affecting the Burgh; and for other purposes.

"I am also directed to intimate that the County Council, as governing body, may resolve, if so agreed, to oppose the above-named Provisional Order or Private Bill, of all which notice is hereby given in terms of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, and the Act 35 and 36 Vict., Cap. 91.

"I am,

"Your obedient Servant,

"THOS. MUNRO,
"*County Clerk.*"

Newspaper notice of meeting.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the *Glasgow Herald*, of date 1st May current, containing a notice of the meeting, as required by statute, the notice being in the following terms, viz.:—

"COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

"NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the County Council of the County of Lanark will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, on Thursday, the 13th day of May, 1909, at One o'clock p.m., or immediately after the Statutory Meeting of the County Council, to be held at Twelve o'clock the same day, for the purpose of resolving, if so agreed, to oppose the following Provisional Order or Private Bill, viz.:—

"HAMILTON BURGH.

"To confer further powers on the Corporation of the Burgh of Hamilton in relation to their Electricity and Gas Undertakings; to authorise the appropriation and use of the Public Washing Green for sewage purification purposes; to extend the period for the repayment of moneys borrowed for those and other purposes; to confer powers on the Corporation in relation to the searching for and working of minerals; to repeal the powers of the Justices of the Peace to grant licenses for theatres, &c., within the Burgh; to provide for the reinstatement of the capital of certain mortifications and charities vested in the Corporation; to amend certain public and local Acts affecting the Burgh; and for other purposes.

"Of all which notice is hereby given in terms of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, the Local Government (Scotland) Act. 1889, and the Act 35 and 36 Vict., cap. 91.

"THOS. MUNRO,
"*County Clerk.*

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 30th April, 1909."

Hamilton Burgh Order.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the Hamilton Burgh Order.

Resolution to oppose Order.
Remit to Parliamentary Bills Committee.

The meeting, on the motion of the Convener, seconded by the Vice-Convener, unanimously resolved, failing a satisfactory arrangement being come to with the promoters, to oppose the said Hamilton Burgh Order, and remitted to the Parliamentary Bills Committee, with full powers, to take such steps as they may consider advisable to carry out the foregoing resolution, and with full authority to exercise the powers of the County Council in connection therewith.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the Jury Court Room No. 2, County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 1st September, 1909, being a Special General Meeting of the County Council of Lanark, intimated and called in terms of the Notice hereinafter inserted. 1st September, 1909.

Present—

John Adam.	A. D. Mack.
John Allison.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
James R. Auld.	William Neilson.
J. P. Baird.	Alexander Pillans.
Duncan C. Barr.	James Scott
William Barr.	Robert Sharp.
David J. Black.	William Speirs.
Colonel Buchanan.	Colonel King Stewart.
W. W. Chapman.	William Sym.
Walter C. B. Christie.	William Templeton.
C. J. E. Cranstoun.	James C. Hope Vere.
William Davie.	Thomas F. Wilson.
James H. Fenton.	William M. Marshall.
George Fraser.	Hugh Reid.
Nathaniel Gold.	James Stewart.
Alexander Hamilton.	David Wardley.
Robert Lambie.	George Green.
Colonel Logan.	Roderick Macleay.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, Convener of the County, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms:— *Notice calling meeting.*

"COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 23*rd August*, 1909.

"Sir,

"SECONDARY EDUCATION.

"I am to request your attendance at a Special Meeting of the County Council, to be held in the Jury Court No. 2, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), on *Wednesday, 1st proximo, at 3 o'clock p.m.*, for the purpose of appointing, if so resolved, Six representatives to serve on the Committee on Secondary Education for this County.

"A Print of the Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, under which the appointment of representatives falls to be made, will be sent to you before the date of meeting.

"I am,

"Your obedient Servant,

"THOS. MUNRO,
"*County Clerk.*"

Minute of Department.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 10th August, 1909, altering the constitution of the Committees on Secondary Education for various districts in Scotland appointed by the minute of 10th June, 1897, and abrogating the other provisions of that minute.

Appointment of Council's representatives.

The Clerk explained that, in terms of the new minute, it fell to the County Council to appoint six representatives to serve on the Committee on Secondary Education for this County.

The meeting, having proceeded to appoint six representatives, agreed that Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, as Convener of the County, should be one of the Council's representatives, and that the remaining five places be allocated as follows:—

1 to the Upper Ward.
2 to the Middle Ward.
2 to the Lower Ward.

Upper Ward.

For the Upper Ward, Messrs. J. P. Baird and Alexander Pillans were nominated, but Mr. Baird having declined nomination, the Chairman declared Mr. Pillans to be appointed.

Middle Ward.

Messrs. Alexander Hamilton, James Logan, Robert Sharp, and William Templeton having been nominated for the Middle Ward, a vote was taken by ballot, and resulted in the appointment of Mr. Sharp and Mr. Templeton. The Chairman accordingly declared Mr. Sharp and Mr. Templeton to be appointed for the Middle Ward.

Lower Ward.

Messrs. John Adam and William Speirs were unanimously appointed for the Lower Ward.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF THE STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK, IN PURSUANCE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889, IN RELATION TO CAPITAL WORKS, AND TO THE BORROWING OF THE SUMS NECESSARY TO MEET THE EXPENSE THEREOF.

Since the date of their Report of Consent made to the County Council at the meeting of the Council held on 13th May last, the Standing Joint-Committee have given their consent to the following capital works, and to the borrowing of the sums aftermentioned for the respective capital works referred to, so far as it may be found necessary to borrow the same, and that by way of loans, to be repaid within the periods prescribed by the several Statutes administered by the County Council, the loans and interest thereof in each case to be charged to the appropriate rates levied in the several districts aftermentioned, viz.:—

Upper Ward.

(1) The construction of fire plugs on the distributing mains in Douglas Special Water District, at an estimated cost of £50.

(2) The completion of intake of additional springs to Crawford Special Water District, at an estimated cost of £50;

(3) The purchase of an additional spring, and the cost of connecting up same with the pipes in the Lesmahagow Special Water District, at an estimated cost of £300.

Middle Ward.

(1) The construction of a new sewer in Cemetery Road, within the Blantyre Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £125;

(2) The completion of urinal at Halfway, Cambuslang, within Cambuslang Special Scavenging District, at an estimated cost of £20 9s;

(3) The provision of new lamps within Larkhall Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £25;

(4) The construction of a new sewer at Kyle Park and the erection of ventilating shafts at Clydeford Drive, within Uddingston Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £168;

(5) The providing and laying of a new main pipe from Salsburgh Tank to Shotts Reservoir, Work No. 3, of Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water, 1908, at an estimated cost of £8,233;

(6) The construction of a new bridge at Majescroft Ford, in the Parish of New Monkland, with approach thereto, at an estimated cost of £270;

(7) The construction of new footpaths within the Middle Ward District during the year 1909-10, at an estimated cost of £5,000;

(8) The widening of Stonefield Highway, at No. 4 pit level crossing, in the Parish of Blantyre, at an estimated cost of £60;

(9) The widening of Fullwood Highway, at New Stevenston School, in the Parish of Bothwell, at an estimated cost of £168;

(10) The provision and erection of New Nurses' Home at the Middle Ward Hospital at Motherwell, at an estimated cost of £4,500;

(11) The construction of public slaughter-house at Uddingston, at an estimated cost of £1,800;

(12) The construction of new sewer within Stonehouse Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £52;

(13) The construction of a culvert in Manse Garden, within Bothwell Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £85;

(14) The taking over of a sewer in Dean Street and Davidson Street, within Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £32 12. 3d.;

(15) The construction of an automatic storm-water diverter and the laying of byepass pipe to Myres Burn within the Uddingston Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £115;

(16) The purchase of additional lanterns for Bothwell Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £45;

(17) The widening and improving of Dyke Street, Baillieston, in the parish of Old Monkland, at an estimated cost of £200;

(18) The construction of a public slaughter-house at Stonehouse, at an estimated cost of £1,800;

(19) The purchase of new incandescent lanterns for the Uddingston Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £54;

(20) The erection of new lamps within the Carmyle Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £12;

(21) The completion of sewage purification works at Burnbrae, in connection with the East Kilbride Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £54 3s. 10d.;

(22) The construction of a new sewer in North Road, Bellshill, within the Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £350;

(23) The construction of a new sewer to convey the sewage from Stonehouse Hospital to a sewer within the Stonehouse Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £490;

(24) The widening and improvement of Brigg Brae Mill Highway at Mossend, and others, at an estimated cost of £907 15s;

(25) The widening and improvement of Glasgow and Hamilton Highway at Blantyre, at an estimated cost of £135.

LOWER WARD.

(1) Lower Ward District Committee's proportion of £10,500, being cost of constructing east intercepting sewer jointly with the Burgh of Rutherglen—£2,493;

(2) The aquisition of sewer in Peveril Avenue, Rutherglen, within the Rutherglen (Landward) Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £132 3s. 3d.;

(3) The extension of water pipes at (1) proposed road near Lilybank Road, Muirhead; (2) proposed road near Garnqueen; and (3) Blenheim Avenue, Stepps, within the South Cadder Special Water District, at an estimated cost of £31 10s.;

(4) The laying of water pipe in Auchinairn Road, within the North Cadder Special Water District, at an estimated cost of £26;

(5) The extension of main in Blenheim Avenue, Stepps, and the laying of pipe in road from East Muckcroft Farm Steading to Stoneyetts, within the South Cadder Special Water District, at an estimated cost of £110;

(6) The alterations at Sewage Purification Works of Stepps Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £35;

(7) Excess capital expenditure in connection with the construction of sewage purification works for Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Special Drainage District, £900;

(8) Excess capital expenditure in connection with the construction of sewers and sewage purification works for Stepps Special Drainage District, £325.

The committee have also given their consent to the undertaking of the following capital works, viz.:—

Upper Ward.

(1) The construction of a new road at Coalburn, extending to 230 yards or thereby, to take the place of a part of Shoulderrigg Highway, the construction of the road to be carried out under agreement by, and at the expense of, the Caprington and Auchlochan Collieries;

(2) The erection of an iron bridge over the Duneaton Water, on the Crawick Road at Birkcleugh, in the Parish of Crawfordjohn, to take the place of the present wooden bridge, £250.

Middle Ward.

(1) The improvement of highway at junction of Elmbank Street and Belvidere Road, Bellshill Road, Bellshill, at an estimated cost of £60;

(2) The widening and improvement of Glenboig Highway at Glenboig, at an estimated cost of £40.

JAMES DENNISTOUN MITCHELL,
WM. NEILSON,
Two Members of the Standing Joint-Committee.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

October, 1909.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF CONSENT

BY THE

STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE

TO

CAPITAL WORKS AND BORROWING

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

STATUTORY MEETING OF COUNTY

COUNCIL

ON

THURSDAY, 14th OCTOBER, 1909.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

OF

THE COUNTY ROAD BOARD

TO THE

STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

14th October, 1909.

ACCOUNTS.

As required by the Statute, the Abstracts of the Accounts of the County Fund for last financial year will be laid before the Council. They contain the Accounts of the Receipts and Expenditure in respect of the highways in the several districts of the county, so that it is not necessary that the Board should submit others. The District Committees have reported to the Board on the subject of highways, and their reports will be submitted to the Council.

ADDITIONS TO THE LISTS OF HIGHWAYS.

The Board recommend that the County Council should, at this meeting, declare that the following roads, which, at the commencement of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, were not maintained out of the public funds derived from tolls or assessments or other sources of revenue, shall be highways within the meaning and for the purposes of that Act, and, as such, be added to the lists of roads, highways, and bridges, made up in terms of Section 41 thereof, viz.:—

In the District of the Upper Ward.

Parish of Lesmahagow—

The newly-constructed portion of road at Coalburn, being a diversion of the Shoulderrigg Highway, extending to 230 yards or thereby.

Parish of Wiston and Roberton—

Kirk Road leading from Millrig Road to the Parish Church, extending to 109 yards or thereby.

In the District of the Middle Ward.

Second Division.

Parish of Blantyre—

Church Street, from Glasgow and Hamilton Highway southwards for a distance of 130 yards or thereby.

Parish of Bothwell—

Burdon Street, Mossend, from Brigg Brae Mill Highway westwards for a distance of 36 yards or thereby;

Dean Street, Bellshill, from Davidson Street westwards for a distance of 57 yards or thereby.

Watson Street, Uddingston, from Spindlehowe Highway eastwards for a distance of 104 yards or thereby, thence extending northwards 60 yards or thereby, and southwards 33 yards or thereby.

Parish of Cambusnethan—

School Road, from Morningside and Chapel Highway to North and South Highway, for a distance of 1 furlong 110 yards or thereby.

Third Division.

Parish of New Monkland—

Lady Wilson Street, from South Biggar Highway westwards for a distance of 1 furlong 33 yards or thereby.

The Board have also agreed to recommend that the following road, or part of road, shall cease to be a highway within the meaning and for the purposes of the said Act, viz.:—

Parish of Lesmahagow—

That portion of Shoulderrigg Highway, at Coalburn, extending to 205 yards or thereby, for which it is proposed to substitute the newly constructed portion of road above referred to.

The Board have further agreed to recommend the County Council to declare, in terms of Section 43 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, that the portion of Shoulderrigg Highway last above described shall be shut up.

ESTIMATES.

The Board have prepared estimates of the amounts required by way of assessment for the maintenance and management of the highways in the several districts of the county, and for the repayment of debt where necessary. The statutory reports on the condition of the highways in the several districts of the county, the requisite specification of the works and repairs needed, and the estimates of the sums necessary for the purpose of the highways, were all laid before the Board in the month of May last, and they are the basis of the estimates now submitted, and have been incorporated by the Finance Committee in the local annual budget prepared in terms of the Statutes.

JAMES DENNISTOUN MITCHELL,
Chairman.

October, 1909.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

OF

THE COUNTY ROAD BOARD

TO

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

14th October, 1909.

THE COUNTY CLERK.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

OF

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

TO

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

Thursday, 14th October, 1909.

ACCOUNTS.

The following statement shows the amount of expenditure and the assessments levied since the inception of the County Council :—

	Expenditure.	Assessments Levied.
Year 1890-91, ...	£151,224 8 2	£98,416 19 1½
„ 1891-92.	174,582 7 1½	88,969 3 10½
„ 1892-93, ...	176,187 1 0½	95,110 15 9
„ 1893-94, ...	254,040 1 7½	98,225 15 5
„ 1894-95, ...	281,435 3 1	104,590 14 2½
„ 1895-96, ...	258,568 2 4	115,228 1 5
„ 1896-97, ...	224,119 3 3½	116,813 10 7½
„ 1897-98, ...	215,481 5 4	121,188 12 2
„ 1898-99, ...	240,642 6 7½	127,232 15 2
„ 1899-1900, ...	281,758 2 4	154,996 15 1½
„ 1900-1901, ...	320,309 9 8	169,226 16 5½
„ 1901-1902, ...	305,107 0 0	180,228 7 5
„ 1902-1903, ...	297,058 18 3½	183,882 0 8½
„ 1903-1904.	317,304 7 8½	195,132 0 6½
„ 1904-1905, ...	306,456 12 8½	198,415 11 6½
„ 1905-1906, ...	328,363 0 11	202,100 7 2½
„ 1906-1907, ...	321,815 17 10	211,591 2 5
„ 1907-1908, ...	339,840 0 1½	216,908 8 1
„ 1908 1909, ...	369,302 10 6	232,244 6 2½

The amount borrowed during the year was £63,600, while debt to the extent of £29,712 1s. 7d. has been paid off, making an increase of £33,887 18s. 5d. in the loan indebtedness of the County, which at Whitsunday last amounted to £864,305 8s. 4d.

ESTIMATES FOR 1909-1910.

Estimates of the Receipts and Expenditure for the current financial year are submitted herewith (Appendix). Those in connection with the Constabulary have been approved of by the Standing Joint-Committee, those relating to Highways by the County Road Board, while those of the District Committees are based upon information furnished by them. They have received careful consideration at the hands of the Committee, and the Council are recommended to impose the several rates therein mentioned to meet the requirements of the current year.

VALUATION OF COUNTY.

The following is a note of the approximate valuation of the County for the current year as compared with that of last year, viz.:—

	1909-1910.			1908-1909.			Increase.	Decrease.
	General Heritages.	Railways.	Total, 1909-1910.	General Heritages.	Railways.	Total, 1908-1909.		
	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Upper Ward, -	320,836 18 0	38,923	359,759 18 0	321,932 4 0	46,406	368,338 4 0	...	8,578 6 0
Middle Ward, -	1,420,418 13 0	117,851	1,538,269 13 0	1,442,860 4 6	131,982	1,574,842 4 6	...	36,572 11 6
Lower Ward, -	*1,140,224 3 6	98,041	1,238,265 3 6	1,084,934 5 2	102,596	1,187,530 5 2	*50,734 18 4	...
	2,881,479 14 6	254,815	3,136,294 14 0	2,849,726 13 8	280,984	3,130,710 13 8	50,734 18 4	45,150 17 6

Increase, ...	£50,734 18 4
Decrease, ...	45,150 17 6
Net Increase.	£5,584 0 10

* Subject to the disposal of an appeal in which a sum of £41,319 13s. 11d. is involved.

WM. NEILSON,
Chairman.

29th September, 1909.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

LOCAL ANNUAL BUDGET.

ESTIMATES OF THE EXPENDITURE AND RECEIPTS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 1909-1910, PREPARED IN TERMS OF SECTION 71 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889.

I.—CONSTABULARY.

GENERAL EXPENDITURE.

Expenditure.

Salaries and Wages of Headquarters Staff and Reserve Recruits, ...	£1,790	0	0
Clothing of Headquarters Staff, Reserve Recruits, and Special Constables,	62	0	0
Lighting and Cleaning—Headquarters, ...	50	0	0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings—Headquarters, ...	30	0	0
Travelling and Office Expenses—Headquarters, ...	120	0	0
Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles—Headquarters, ...	10	0	0
Books, Printing, Stationery, and Advertising, ...	170	0	0
Rents of Police Barracks and Constables' Houses.	225	0	0
Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...	25	0	0
Expenses connected with Maintenance and Removal of Prisoners, ...	410	0	0
Proportion of Salaries of County Clerk and Treasurer and Office Staff,	625	0	0
Repayment of Debt—Police Headquarters, ...	500	0	0
Interest on Debt— do., ...	220	0	0
Travelling and Incidental Expenses of Constables, ...	70	0	0
Travelling and Office Expenses—General, ...	50	0	0
Police Surgeon—Salary, ...	100	0	0
Police Architect—Salary, ...	100	0	0
Bicycles for Constables, ...	40	0	0
Interest on Bank Account.	45	0	0
Miscellaneous, ...	100	0	0
	£4,742	0	0

Receipts.

Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing of Headquarters Staff and Reserve Recruits, ...	£770	0	0		
Government Grant in respect of Maintenance and Removal of Prisoners, ...	745	0	0		
Rents retained from Constables, ...	35	0	0		
Rent payable by Hamilton District for portion of Headquarters set apart for use of that District, ...	330	0	0		
Instalments of cost of Bicycles repaid by Constables, ...	45	0	0		
				1,925	0	0
Amount required, ...				£2,817	0	0

Apportionable as follows, according to Estimated Valuation—

Hamilton Police District—Estimated Valuation, £957,000, ...	£1,257	0	0		
Motherwell Police District—Estimated Valuation, £185,000, ...	243	0	0		
Upper Ward Police District—Estimated Valuation, £366,200, ...	481	0	0		
Airdrie Police District—Estimated Valuation, £334,800, ...	440	0	0		
Lower Ward Police District—Estimated Valuation, £301.000, ...	396	0	0		
				2,817	0	0

LOCAL EXPENDITURE.

HAMILTON POLICE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Share of General Expenditure, ...	£1,257	0 0
Rents, Feu duties, &c., ...	1,100	0 0
Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...	100	0 0
Telephone Rentals and Trunk Line Fees,...	110	0 0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings, ...	200	0 0
Lighting, Cleaning, &c., ...	440	0 0
Repayment of Debt (Police Stations), ...	1,600	0 0
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...	600	0 0
Pay of Police, ...	10,210	0 0
Clothing of Police, ...	522	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	215	0 0
Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners, ...	500	0 0
Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles, ...	45	0 0
Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., ...	125	0 0
Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906, ...	15	0 0
Miscellaneous, ...	120	0 0
	£17,159	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£583 0 0		
Contribution from Burgh of Wishaw under Consolidation Agreement, ...	686 0 0		
Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing, ...	3,860 0 0		
Government Grant in respect of Services and Outlays of Constables, ...	115 0 0		
Rents retained from Constables.	480 0 0		
		5,724	0 0
Amount required.		£11,435	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £957,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{29}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£8,938 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £875,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{83}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£2,522 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	149 0 0		
	2,671 0 0		
		11,609	0 0

(Last year, $2\frac{39}{120}$d. and $\frac{93}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate. $1\frac{66}{120}$d.

MOTHERWELL POLICE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909,...	£10 0 0
Share of General Expenditure, ...	243 0 0
Rents, &c., ...	550 0 0
Rates and Taxes, ...	25 0 0
Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees, ...	10 0 0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings,...	10 0 0
Lighting, Cleaning, &c., ...	150 0 0
Pay of Police, ...	2,050 0 0
Clothing of Police, ...	108 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	40 0 0
Travelling and Incidental Expenses and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners, ...	55 0 0
Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles, ...	5 0 0
Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., ...	25 0 0
Interest on Bank Account,...	10 0 0
Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906, ...	5 0 0
Miscellaneous, ...	30 0 0
Carry forward, ...	£3,326 0 0

Brought forward, ...				£3,326	0 0
Receipts.					
Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing, ...	£630	0	0		
Rents retained from Constables, ...	85	0	0		
				715	0 0
Amount required, ...				£2,611	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £185,000.					
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{89}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£2,113	0	0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £183,000.					
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{80}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	508	0	0		
				2,621	0 0

(Last year, $2\frac{82}{120}$d. and $\frac{73}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate, $2\frac{9}{120}$d.

UPPER WARD POLICE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Share of General Expenditure, ...				£481	0 0
Rents, Feu-duties, &c., ...				245	0 0
Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...				30	0 0
Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees, ...				35	0 0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings,...				180	0 0
Lighting, Cleaning, &c., ...				105	0 0
Pay of Police, ...				3,431	0 0
Clothing of Police, ...				162	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...				60	0 0
Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners, ...				140	0 0
Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles, ...				30	0 0
Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., ...				50	0 0
Interest on Bank Account, ...				10	0 0
Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906, ...				5	0 0
Miscellaneous, ...				40	0 0
				£5,004	0 0
Receipts.					
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£153	0	0		
Contribution from Burgh of Lanark, ...	270	0	0		
Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing, ...	1,228	0	0		
Government Grant in respect of Services and Outlays of Constables, ...	35	0	0		
Rents retained from Constables, ...	186	0	0		
				1,872	0 0
Amount required, ...				£3,132	0 0
Owners estimated Valuation of District, £366,200.					
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{86}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£2,619	0	0		
Occupiers estimated Valuation of District, £273,500.					
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{52}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£499	0	0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,...	104	0	0		
	603	0	0		
				3,222	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{99}{120}$d. and $\frac{65}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate, $1\frac{34}{120}$d.

AIRDRIE POLICE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Share of General Expenditure, ...				£440	0 0
Rents, Feu-duties, &c., ...				500	0 0
Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...				60	0 0
Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees, ...				40	0 0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings,...				200	0 0
Lighting, Cleaning, &c., ...				115	0 0
Repayment of Debt (Police Stations), ...				300	0 0
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...				90	0 0
Pay of Police, ...				4,429	0 0
Clothing of Police, ...				233	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...				85	0 0
Carry forward, ...				£6,492	0 0

Brought forward, ...			£6,492 0 0
Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners, ...			200 0 0
Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles, ...			30 0 0
Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., ...			50 0 0
Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906, ...			5 0 0
Interest on Bank Account, ...			10 0 0
Miscellaneous, ...			50 0 0
			£6,837 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£222 0 0		
Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing, ...	1,700 0 0		
Government Grant in respect of Services and Outlays of Constables, ...	62 0 0		
Rents retained from Constables, ...	245 0 0		
		2,229 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£4,608 0 0
Owners estimated Valuation of District, £334,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{85}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£3,778 0 0		
Occupiers estimated Valuation of District, £310,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{76}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£818 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	49 0 0		
	867 0 0		
		4,645 0 0	
(Last year, $2\frac{108}{120}$d. and $\frac{99}{120}$d. per £.) Average Rate, $2\frac{93}{120}$d.			

LOWER WARD POLICE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Share of General Expenditure, ...			£396 0 0
Rents, Feu-duties, &c., ...			690 0 0
Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...			100 0 0
Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees, ...			65 0 0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings, ...			140 0 0
Lighting, Cleaning, &c., ...			220 0 0
Repayment of Debt (Police Stations), ...			100 0 0
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...			55 0 0
Pay of Police, ...			5,638 0 0
Clothing of Police, ...			287 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			115 0 0
Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners.			250 0 0
Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles, ...			25 0 0
Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., ...			55 0 0
Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906, ...			30 0 0
Interest on Bank Account.			20 0 0
Miscellaneous.			60 0 0
			£8,246 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£211 0 0		
Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing, ...	2,000 0 0		
Government Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	85 0 0		
Contribution from Burgh of Rutherglen under Consolidation Agreement.	825 0 0		
Rents retained from Constables.	240 0 0		
		3,361 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£4,885 0 0
Owners estimated Valuation of District, £301,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{25}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£1,024 0 0		
Occupiers estimated Valuation of District, £272,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{95}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£897 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	41 0 0		
	938 0 0		
		4,962 0 0	
(Last year, $3\frac{53}{120}$d. and $1\frac{3}{120}$d. per £.) Average Rate, $2\frac{50}{120}$d.			

II.—COUNTY GENERAL ASSESSMENT.

(*a*) GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Expenditure.

Salaries and Outlays of J.P. Procurators-Fiscal, ...		£2,100	0 0
Do. do. Clerks of the Peace.		2,600	0 0
Rents, Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, County Buildings, Hamilton and Lanark,		120	0 0
Salaries of Keepers, do., do.,		120	0 0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings, do., do.,		300	0 0
Lighting, Cleaning, &c., do., do.,		160	0 0
Annual Payment to Hamilton Court-houses Account for Accommodation provided for Justices of the Peace, ...		40	0 0
Salaries of Inspectors under Weights and Measures Act, ...		630	0 0
Other Expenses under Weights and Measures Act, including Assistants' Wages, Carriage of Standards, Rents, &c., ...		600	0 0
Expenses of Administering Licensing (Scotland) Act within Police Burghs,		350	0 0
Expenses of Administering Food and Drugs Acts, ...		700	0 0
Expenses of Administering Explosives Act, ...		190	0 0
Do. do. Petroleum Acts, ...		20	0 0
Proportion of Salaries of County Clerk and Treasurer and Office Staff,...		1,250	0 0
Travelling and Office Expenses.		240	0 0
Expenses of Fiars Court, ...		6	0 0
Auditor's Fee—Taxing J.P. Clerks' and Fiscals' Accounts, ...		37	0 0
Bar Officer of J.P. Courts, Hamilton and Cambuslang, ...		36	0 0
Rent of Hall for J.P. Court, Cambuslang, ...		20	0 0
Printing, Stationery, Parliamentary Papers, and Advertising, ...		25	0 0
Interest on Bank Account, ...		30	0 0
Expenses in connection with Valuation Account (page 8), ...		163	0 0
Miscellaneous, ...		200	0 0
		£9,937	0 0

Receipts.

Contributions from Burghs of Lanark and Rutherglen for Services of Weights and Measures Inspectors, ...	£22 0 0		
Fines and Penalties under Licensing Act, handed over by Police Burghs, ...	130 0 0		
Fines and Penalties from J.P. Courts and Sheriff Courts,	3,100 0 0		
Fees received under Weights and Measures Acts, ...	470 0 0		
Do. Explosives Act, ...	7 0 0		
Do. Petroleum Acts, ...	3 0 0		
		3,732	0 0
Amount required, ...		£6,205	0 0
Apportionable as follows, according to estimated Valuations :—			
District formerly the Southern Prison District— Estimated Valuation, £1,927,000, ...	£3,861 0 0		
District formerly the Northern Prison District— Estimated Valuation, £1,170,000. ...	2,344 0 0		
		6,205	0 0

(*b*) DISTRICT FORMERLY SOUTHERN PRISON DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		£248	0 0
Share of General Expenditure, as above, ...		3,861	0 0
Pensions under Section 43 of Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877.		47	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		60	0 0
Amount required, ...		£4,216	0 0
Owners estimated Valuation of District, £1,927,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{498}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£3,279 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,723,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{14}{120}$d. per £ will yield £838 0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, 114 0 0			
	952 0 0		
		4,231	0 0

(Last year, $\frac{413}{120}$d. and $\frac{8}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate, $\frac{356}{120}$d.

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(c) DISTRICT FORMERLY NORTHERN PRISON DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			£74 0 0
Share of General Expenditure (page 5), ...			2,344 0 0
Pensions under Section 43 of Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877, ...			16 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			55 0 0
			£2,489 0 0

Receipts.

Government Contribution in lieu of Rates, ...	£10 0 0		
City of Glasgow—Proportion of above Pensions, ...	6 0 0		
		16 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£2,473 0 0
Owners estimated Valuation of District, £1,170,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{50}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£2,031 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,089,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{11}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£416 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act.	11 0 0		
	427 0 0		
		2,458 0 0	

(Last year, $\frac{47}{120}$d. and $\frac{8}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate, $\frac{39}{120}$d.

III.—LUNACY.

(a) LANARK LUNACY DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Quota of Assessment intimated by General Board, ...			£13,583 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			245 0 0
			£13,828 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909.	£490 0 0		
Government Contribution in lieu of Rates, ...	3 0 0		
Interest on Bank Account, ...	20 0 0		
		513 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£13,315 0 0
Owners estimated Valuation of District, £2,060,700.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{102}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£7,298 0 0		
Occupiers estimated Valuation of District, £1,840,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{91}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£5,814 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	418 0 0		
	6,232 0 0		
		13,530 0 0	

(Same as last year.)
Average Rate, $\frac{11}{120}$d.

(*b*) GOVAN LUNACY DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Quota of Assessment intimated by General Board, ...		£7,786	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		300	0 0
		£8,086	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£26 0 0		
Government Contribution in lieu of Rates, ...	5 0 0		
Interest on Bank Account, ...	5 0 0		
		36	0 0
Amount required, ...		£8,050	0 0
Owners estimated Valuation of District, £893,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{19}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£4,310 0 0		
Occupiers estimated Valuation of District, £841,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{8}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£3,738 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	7 0 0		
	3,745	0 0	
		8,055	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{15}{120}$d. and $1\frac{4}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate, $\frac{11}{120}$d.

(*c*) GLASGOW LUNACY DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Quota of Assessment intimated by General Board, ...		£1,350	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		40	0 0
		£1,390	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£46 0 0		
Government Contribution in lieu of Rates, ...	45 0 0		
Interest on Bank Account, ...	2 0 0		
		93	0 0
Amount required, ...		£1,297	0 0
Owners estimated Valuation of District, £142,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{20}{120}$d per £ will yield ...	£690 0 0		
Occupiers estimated Valuation of District, £131,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{20}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	637 0 0		
		1,327	0 0

(Same as last year.)

IV.—REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Expenditure.

Assessors' Salaries, £1,050; and Outlays, £81, ...		£1,131	0 0
Printing Registers and Advertising, ...		1,320	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		40	0 0
Interest on Bank Account,...		20	0 0
		£2,511	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£45 0 0		
Proportion of Cost of Registers from City of Glasgow, ...	440 0 0		
Do. do. Burgh of Coatbridge,...	135 0 0		
Do. do. do. Airdrie, ...	20 0 0		
Do. do. do. Rutherglen,	14 0 0		
Do. do. do. Lanark, ...	1 0 0		
Do. do. do. Hamilton, ...	2 0 0		
Government Contribution in lieu of Rates, ...	3 0 0		
Copies of Registers sold, ...	80 0 0		
		740	0 0
Amount required, ...		£1,771	0 0
Owners estimated Valuation of District, £3,098,900.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{17}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£1,829 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ...	28 0 0		
		1,857	0 0

(Last year, $\frac{18}{120}$d. and $\frac{1}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate, $\frac{17}{120}$d

V.—VALUATION.

Expenditure.

Copying Valuation Roll for Parishes, ...			£100 0 0
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...			35 0 0
Law Expenses, ...			80 0 0
Interest on Bank Account, ...			3 0 0
			£218 0 0

Receipts.

Fees received for Excerpts, ...	£6 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ...	49 0 0		
		55 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£163 0 0	
Transferred from County General Assessment Account, ...		163 0 0	

(Last year, £121.)

* VA.—DISEASES OF ANIMALS.

Expenditure.

Payments to Veterinary Surgeons, ...			£500 0 0
Proportion of Salaries of County Clerk and Treasurer and Office Staff, ...			125 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			22 0 0
Allowances to Police Inspectors administering the Act, ...			40 0 0
Constabulary Outlays administering Act, less sums received, ...			20 0 0
Compensation to Owners of Animals slaughtered, ...			20 0 0
Destroying Carcases, ...			30 0 0
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery.			80 0 0
Travelling and Office Expenses, ...			5 0 0
Interest on Bank Account,...			10 0 0
Expenses of administering Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, ...			45 0 0
Grant to Public Health Account towards Expenses of Bacteriological Laboratory, ...			25 0 0
			£922 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£121 0 0		
Contributions from Burghs of Coatbridge and Lanark, ...	80 0 0		
		201 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£721 0 0	
Owners estimated Valuation of District, £3,096.000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{4}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£430 0 0		
Occupiers estimated Valuation of District, £2,812,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{4}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£391 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act. ...	14 0 0		
	405 0 0		
		835 0 0	

(Last year, $\frac{5}{120}$d and $\frac{5}{120}$d. per £.)

* NOTE.—In view of the uncertainty which prevails as to whether the Tuberculosis Order, 1909, will become operative this year, no provision has been made for any expenditure thereunder.

VI.—GENERAL PURPOSES.

(*a*) WHOLE COUNTY.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		£1,937	0 0
Printing, Advertising, &c., ...		320	0 0
Proportion of Salaries of County Clerk and Treasurer and Office Staff, ...		1,350	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		200	0 0
Expenses opposing Bills and Provisional Orders in Parliament, ...		1,300	0 0
Expenses of Parliamentary Agents (General), ...		50	0 0
Payments to Reformatories for Maintenance of Youthful Offenders, ...		200	0 0
Auditor's Fee, ...		400	0 0
Books and Stationery, ...		230	0 0
Fees to Jurors under Fatal Accidents Inquiry Act, ...		70	0 0
Rooms for Meetings, ...		135	0 0
Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees, ...		45	0 0
Travelling and Office Expenses, ...		60	0 0
County Councils Association—Subscription and Expenses of Meetings,		25	0 0
Interest on Bank Account, ...		25	0 0
Law Expenses, ...		100	0 0
Miscellaneous, ...		65	0 0
		£6,512	0 0

Receipts.

Fees received under Motor Car Act, ...	£320 0 0		
Government Grant in lieu of Rates, ...	15 0 0		
		335	0 0
Amount required, ...		£6,177	0 0

Owners estimated Valuation of District, £3,096,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£3,225 0 0		
Occupiers estimated Valuation of District, £2,812,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£2,929 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	83 0 0		
	3,012 0 0		
		6,237	0 0

(Last year, $\frac{45}{120}$d. and $\frac{45}{120}$d. per £.)

(*b*) LOWER WARD SHERIFF COURT-HOUSE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, being Balance of Assessment for Capital Expenditure paid to Glasgow Court-House Commissioners, as per allocation of last year, ...		£1,326	0 0
*Assessment for Maintenance, say		500	0 0
*Assessment for further alterations and additions, say		300	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		44	0 0
Amount required, ...		£2,170	0 0

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,169,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£1,218 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,089,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£1,134 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	2 0 0		
	1,136 0 0		
		£2,354	0 0

(Same as last year.)

* NOTE.—Formal intimation of the requirements of the Court House Commissioners for the current year has not yet been received, but an indication has been given that these may be the approximate figures.

(c) CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING DISTRICT

Expenditure.

Proportion of Debit Balance of £928 (Board of Trade Accounts) outstanding at 15th May, 1909,	£650	0	0
Repayment of Debt,	580	0	0
Interest on Debt,	435	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	10	0	0
Interest on Bank Account,	35	0	0
Generation of Electricity,	360	0	0
Distribution of Electricity,	25	0	0
Public Lamps—repairs, renewals, and attending (recovered as per Receipts),	220	0	0
Rates and Taxes,	85	0	0
Management Expenses,	200	0	0
Expenses of Order (proportion),	98	0	0
Insurance,	20	0	0
	£2,718	0	0

Receipts.

Sale of Current,	£1,350	0	0		
District Committee—for Refuse destroyed,	270	0	0		
Do. Proportion of Resident Engineer's Salary,	50	0	0		
Do. Public Lamps, Repairs, and Renewals,	220	0	0		
Miscellaneous,	21	0	0		
				1,911	0	0
Amount required,				£807	0	0
Owners estimated Valuation of District, £69,300.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£433	0	0		
Occupiers estimated Valuation of District, £66,200.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	414	0	0		
				847	0	0

(Last year 2d. and 2d. per £.)

VII.—PUBLIC HEALTH—GENERAL.

Expenditure.

Medical Officer's Department—					
Medical Officer—Salary,	£1,000	0	0		
Assistant Medical Officers—Salaries,	400	0	0		
Chemist—Salary,	120	0	0		
Bacteriologist (£250) and Assistants (£60)—Salaries,	310	0	0		
Clerical Assistance,	240	0	0		
Travelling and Office Expenses,	185	0	0		
Books, Printing, Stationery, and Advertising,	205	0	0		
Telephone Rent and Trunk Line Fees,	40	0	0		
Chemicals, Apparatus, and Furnishings for Laboratories,	70	0	0		
Upkeep of Bacteriological Laboratory,	310	0	0		
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings,	25	0	0		
Keeper's Salary,	80	0	0		
Rates, Taxes, Insurance, and Feu-duty,	40	0	0		
Cleaning, Lighting, &c.,	45	0	0		
				£3,070	0	0
Expenses enforcing provisions of Rivers Pollution Act,				300	0	0
Repayment of Debt (Public Health Offices),				250	0	0
Interest on Debt (Do.),				115	0	0
Expenses of Sanitary Congresses,				100	0	0
Expenses of Certified Inebriate Reformatory Account (No. VIIA.),				700	0	0
Interest on Bank Account,				30	0	0
Carry forward				£4,565	0	0

Brought forward, ...					£4,565	0 0
Receipts.						
Contribution from Burgh of Biggar towards Salary of Medical Officer, ...	£10	0	0			
Government Grant towards Cost of Medical Officers and Sanitary Inspectors, ...	1,100	0	0			
Rent of Office payable by County Committee on Secondary Education, ...	35	0	0			
Grant from Diseases of Animals Account towards expenses of Bacteriological Laboratory, ...	25	0	0			
Fees received from other Local Authorities for Medical Officer's Reports on specimens submitted, ...	80	0	0			
					1,250	0 0
Amount required, ...					£3,315	0 0
(Last year, £3,002).						

APPORTIONABLE AS FOLLOWS ACCORDING TO ESTIMATED VALUATIONS.

Upper Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £359,000,	£610	0	0		
Middle Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £1.292,000,	2,193	0	0		
Lower Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £301,600,	512	0	0		
				£3,315	0 0

VIIA.—CERTIFIED INEBRIATE REFORMATORY.

					Sums that would have been required had Reformatory been closed.
Expenditure.					
Repayment of Debt, ...			£300	0 0	£300
Interest on Debt, ...			180	0 0	180
Salaries and Wages, ...			180	0 0	68 (Gardener Caretaker.)
Diet, &c., ...			80	0 0	...
Clothing, ...			10	0 0	...
Fuel, Light, ...			30	0 0	5
Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...			25	0 0	25
Repairs and Furnishings, ...			40	0 0	10
Books, Printing, Stationery, and Advertising, ...			5	0 0	...
Seeds and Plants, ...			10	0 0	10
Interest on Bank Account, ...			5	0 0	...
Miscellaneous, ...			35	0 0	...
			£900	0 0	£598
Receipts.					
Government Grant, ...	£95	0 0			
Contributions from other Local Authorities, ...	12	0 0			
Rent of Lands, ...	63	0 0			83
Sale of Garden Produce and Live Stock, ...	20	0 0			
Work done by Inmates, ...	10	0 0			
			200	0 0	
			£700	0 0	£515
Transferred from Public Health General Account (No. VII.), ...			700	0 0	

(Last year, £627.)

VIII.—ROAD BOARD.

Expenditure.					
Proportion of County Clerk and Treasurer's Salary, ...			£125	0 0	
Printing and Advertising, ...			30	0 0	
Miscellaneous, ...			5	0 0	
Amount required, ...			£160	0 0	

(Same as last year.)

APPORTIONABLE AS FOLLOWS ACCORDING TO ESTIMATED VALUATIONS.

Receipts.					
Upper Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £359,000,	£29	0	0		
Middle Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £1.292,000,	106	0	0		
Lower Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £301,600,	25	0	0		
				£160	0 0

DISTRICT OF THE UPPER WARD.

I.—HIGHWAYS.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			£181 0 0
Maintenance—			
Surface Labour, ...	£5,705 0 0		
Materials for Surface Repairs (including Quarry Rents, &c.), ...	8,359 0 0		
Repairs to Bridges, Culverts. Drains, and Fences, ...	408 0 0		
Purchase and Repair of Tools, ...	300 0 0		
Footpaths, Kerbing and Causewaying Crossings, ...	270 0 0		
		15,042	0 0
Miscellaneous—			
Mile-plates and Finger-posts, ...	£100 0 0		
Metal Depots, Old Toll-houses, and Tool-sheds—Rents, Feu-duties, Taxes, and Upkeep, ...	100 0 0		
		200	0 0
Improvement of Roads and Bridges, ...		700	0 0
Renewal of Bridge at Birkcleugh, ...		125	0 0
Management and Miscellaneous—			
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer (proportion),	£210 0 0		
Salaries of District Surveyor and Assistant, ...	450 0 0		
Rent, Cleaning, Lighting, &c., of Offices, ...	50 0 0		
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...	30 0 0		
Surveyor's Expenses, Postages, Receipt and Agreement Stamps, and Petty Outlays, ...	60 0 0		
Travelling and Expenses of Meetings and Inspections,	10 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	20 0 0		
		830	0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...	£140 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	50 0 0		
Proportion of Expenses of Road Board, as per apportionment on page 11, ...	29 0 0		
Interest on Bank Account, ...	50 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection.	230 0 0		
		499	0 0
		£17,577	0 0

Receipts.

Rents of Old Toll-houses, ...	£90 0 0		
Composition from Caledonian Railway Company, ...	66 0 0		
Grush, Sand, and Metal sold, ...	200 0 0		
Subvention from Burgh of Biggar, ...	15 0 0		
Government Grant towards cost of maintaining Roads, ...	870 0 0		
Proportion of Equivalent Grant, ...	1,830 0 0		
Hire of Road Rollers, ...	50 0 0		
Government Grant in lieu of Rates, ...	7 0 0		
		3,128	0 0
Amount required, ...		£14,449	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £359,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£7,853 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £266,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £5,830 0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, 1,230 0 0			
	7,060 0 0		
		14,913	0 0

(Last year $5\frac{60}{120}$d. and $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

II.—PUBLIC HEALTH.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			£279 0 0
Share of General Expenditure, as per apportionment on page 11,			610 0 0
Salaries and Expenses of Sanitary Officers—			
District and Local Sanitary Inspectors' Salaries, ...	£285 0 0		
Travelling Expenses and Subsistence of Sanitary Inspectors, ...	60 0 0		
		345 0 0	
Fees for Notification of Diseases, ...		70 0 0	
Upkeep of Hospitals—			
Lanark Joint-Hospital (proportion), ...	£100 0 0		
Roadmeetings, ...	900 0 0		
		1,000 0 0	
Interments, Disinfecting, and Removing Patients and Clothing, ...		80 0 0	
Cleaning Sewers and Cesspools, and Scavenging, &c., ...		80 0 0	
Upkeep of Slaughter Houses at Carluke, Douglas, and Lesmahagow, ...		170 0 0	
Inspections of Dairy Herds, ...		30 0 0	
Returns of Births and Deaths, ...		10 0 0	
Management and Miscellaneous—			
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer (proportion).	£70 0 0		
Cleaning, Lighting, &c., of District Offices, ...	60 0 0		
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...	20 0 0		
Travelling and Office Stamps, ...	20 0 0		
		170 0 0	
Other Expenses—			
Expenses of Delegates to Sanitary Congresses, and Subscriptions to Associations, ...	£40 0 0		
Law Expenses, ...	100 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	10 0 0		
		150 0 0	
Repayment of Debt (Hospitals, £200; Slaughter-houses, £140),	£340 0 0		
Interest on Debt (Hospitals, £140; Slaughter-houses, £95),	235 0 0		
Repayment of Debt (New District Offices), ...	35 0 0		
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...	25 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	50 0 0		
Interest on Bank Account, ...	15 0 0		
		700 0 0	
		£3,694 0 0	

Receipts.

Slaughter-house Dues, ...	£300 0 0		
Rent of Office charged to Highways Account, ...	50 0 0		
Rent of Tripery, and Manure sold, ...	10 0 0		
		360 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£3,334 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £359,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£1,870 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £266,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£1,388 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ...	169 0 0		
	1,557 0 0		
		3,427 0 0	

(Last year, 1d. and 1d. per £.)

III.—SPECIAL WATER AND DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

BLACKWOOD SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£85 0 0		
Repairs and upkeep, ...	10 0 0		
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	14 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	6 0 0		
		£115 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£5 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	210 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	160 0 0		
		375 0 0	
Carry forward, ...		£490 0 0	

Brought forward, ...			£490 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£65 0 0		
Special Water Charges, ...	25 0 0		
		90 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£400 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £6,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $7\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£206 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £5,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $7\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	181 0 0		
		387 0 0	
(Last year, 7d. and 7d. per £.)			

BRAIDWOOD SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Price of Water purchased, ...	£100 0 0		
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	30 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	10 0 0		
Wages of Superintendent, ...	12 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	3 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 0 0		
		£156 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£9 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	70 0 0		
Interest on Debt.	30 0 0		
		109 0 0	
		£265 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£83 0 0		
Special Water Charges, ...	35 0 0		
		118 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£147 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $7\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£109 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $7\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	88 0 0		
		197 0 0	
(Same as last year.)			

CARLUKE SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			£45 0 0
Price of Water purchased, ...	£390 0 0		
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	135 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	30 0 0		
Wages of Superintendent, ...	35 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	10 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2 0 0		
		602 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£20 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	80 0 0		
Interest on Debt.	20 0 0		
		120 0 0	
		£767 0 0	
Receipts.			
Special Water Charges, ...			180 0 0
Amount required, ...			£587 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £17,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£310 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £16,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£287 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ...	10 0 0		
	297 0 0		
		607 0 0	
(Last year, $5\frac{90}{120}$d. and $5\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)			

CARLUKE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, Taxes, &c.,	£65 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep,	5 0 0		
Wages of Superintendent,	30 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	10 0 0		
Miscellaneous,	2 0 0		
		£112	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£5 0 0		
Repayment of Debt,	100 0 0		
Interest on Debt,	4 0 0		
		109	0 0
		£221	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909,	£30 0 0		
Rent of Irrigation Fields,	50 0 0		
		80	0 0
Amount required,		£141	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £16,700.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£87 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £16,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£84 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	1 0 0		
	85 0 0		
		172	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{45}{120}$d. and $1\frac{45}{120}$d. per £.)

CARNWATH SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909,		£3	0 0
Rents, Taxes, &c.,	£50 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep,	10 0 0		
Miscellaneous,	2 0 0		
		62	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£4 0 0		
Repayment of Debt,	115 0 0		
Interest on Debt,	65 0 0		
		184	0 0
		£249	0 0

Receipts.

Special Water Charges,		2	0 0
Amount required,		£247	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £6,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£127 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £6,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	124 0 0		
		251	0 0

(Same as last year.)

CARNWATH SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs and Upkeep,	£10 0 0		
Wages of Superintendent,	6 0 0		
Miscellaneous,	4 0 0		
		£20	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£3 0 0		
Repayment of Debt,	60 0 0		
Interest on Debt,	45 0 0		
		108	0 0
Amount required,		£128	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,400.			
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£68 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	65 0 0		
		133	0 0

(Same as last year.)

CRAWFORD SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Price of Water purchased, ...	£5 0 0		
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	20 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	5 0 0		
Salary of Superintendent, ...	5 0 0		
		£35	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	25 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	5 0 0		
		31	0 0
		£66	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909.	£19 0 0		
Special Water Charges, ...	5 0 0		
		24	0 0
Amount required, ...		£42	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£23 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	22 0 0		
		45	0 0

(Same as last year.)

CROSSLAW SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs and Upkeep, ...	£10 0 0		
Wages of Superintendent, ...	5 0 0		
		£15	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	30 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	8 0 0		
		39	0 0
		£54	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909.	£4 0 0		
Contribution from Burgh of Lanark, ...	3 0 0		
		7	0 0
Amount required, ...		£47	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £2,900.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£27 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£24 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ...	4 0 0		
	28 0 0		
		55	0 0

(Same as last year.)

DOUGLAS SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£3 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep.	5 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,...	2 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 0 0		
		£11	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	15 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	7 0 0		
		23	0 0
Carry forward, ...		£34	0 0

Brought forward, ...			£34 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£11 0 0		
Special Water Charges, ...	10 0 0		
Interest on Investment, ...	4 0 0		
		25 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£9 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,300.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	£14 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,100.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	13 0 0		
		27 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

DOUGLAS SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	£5 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	3 0 0		
		£10 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£2 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	40 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	6 0 0		
		48 0 0	
		£58 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			40 0 0
Amount required, ...			£18 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£21 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£19 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	4 0 0		
		23 0 0	
		44 0 0	

(Last year, $2\frac{90}{120}$d. and $2\frac{90}{120}$d per £.)

KIRKFIELDBANK SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			£2 0 0
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£15 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	20 0 0		
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	3 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2 0 0		
		40 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£3 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	50 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	25 0 0		
		78 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£120 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $7\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£65 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,700.			
An Assessment thereon at $7\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	55 0 0		
		120 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

LAW SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£50 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	15 0 0		
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	30 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 0 0		
		£101	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£7 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	180 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	6 0 0		
	193	0	0
	£294	0	0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£39 0 0		
Special Water Charges, ...	10 0 0		
	49	0	0
Amount required, ...	£245	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £15,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£156 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £13,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £142 0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, 12 0 0			
	154	0	0
	310	0	0

(Last year, 3d. and 3d. per £.)

LAW SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs and Upkeep, ...	£5 0 0		
Salary of Drainage Officer, ...	30 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2 0 0		
		£39	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		29	0 0
Amount required, ...		£10	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £15,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£16 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £13,700.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield £14 0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act. 2 0 0			
	16	0	0
	32	0	0

(Last year, $\frac{75}{120}$d. and $\frac{75}{120}$d. per £.)

LESMAHAGOW SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		£58	0 0
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£175 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	100 0 0		
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	55 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	3 0 0		
	335	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£19 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	470 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	290 0 0		
Interest on Bank Account, ...	5 0 0		
	784	0	0
Carry forward, ...	£1,177	0	0

Brought forward, ...				£1,177	0 0
Receipts.					
Special Water Charges, ...				75	0 0
Amount required, ...				£1,102	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £26,000.					
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£596	0	0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £23,500.					
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£539	0	0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ...	13	0	0		
	552	0	0		
				1,148	0 0
(Same as last year.)					

LESMAHAGOW SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.					
Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...				£11	0 0
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	£13	0	0		
Salary of Drainage Officer, ...	25	0	0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee.	2	0	0		
				40	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£2	0	0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	20	0	0		
Interest on Debt, ...	12	0	0		
				34	0 0
Amount required, ...				£85	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8.200.					
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£43	0	0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7.800.					
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£41	0	0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ...	2	0	0		
	43	0	0		
				86	0 0
(Same as last year.)					

ROBERTON SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.					
Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...				£9	0 0
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£10	0	0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	5	0	0		
				15	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1	0	0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	30	0	0		
Interest on Debt, ...	24	0	0		
				55	0 0
Amount required, ...				£79	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £790.					
An Assessment thereon at 1s. 1d. per £ will yield ...	£43	0	0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £650.					
An Assessment thereon at 1s. 1d. per £ will yield ..	35	0	0		
				78	0 0
(Last year, 1s. and 1s. per £.)					

THANKERTON SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			£4 0 0
Price of Water purchased, ...	£45 0 0		
Rent, Taxes, &c., ...	5 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep.	5 0 0		
		£55	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	10 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	6 0 0		
		17	0 0
Amount required, ...		£76	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,400.			
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield ...	£41 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,200.			
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield ...	35 0 0		
		76	0 0
(Last year, 5d. and 5d. per £.)			

THANKERTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	10 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	6 0 0		
		£17	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		5	0 0
Amount required, ...		£12	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,400.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£7 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	6 0 0		
		13	0 0
(Last year, $1\frac{90}{120}$d. and $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)			

IV.—SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICTS.

CARLUKE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply, ...	£125 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	55 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	25 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2 10 0		
Miscellaneous.	2 10 0		
		£210	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£5 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	20 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	3 0 0		
		28	0 0
		£238	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		26	0 0
Amount required, ...		£212	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £16,700.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£122 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £16,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	117 0 0		
		239	0 0
(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)			

CROSSLAW SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			£38 0 0
Cost of Gas Supply, &c., ...	£6 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	10 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	4 0 0		
		20 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	5 0 0		
		6 0 0	
		£64 0 0	

Receipts.

Further share of principal sum received under Lanark Corporation Extension of Boundaries, &c., Order,...			35 0 0
Amount required, ...			£29 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,800.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	£15 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,600.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	14 0 0		
		29 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

DOUGLAS SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply, ...	£12 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	8 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	15 0 0		
		£35 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	20 0 0		
		21 0 0	
		£56 0 0	

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May 1909, ...			28 0 0
Amount required, ...			£28 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,300.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	£14 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,100.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	13 0 0		
		27 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

LESMAHAGOW SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply, ...	£40 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	10 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	1 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	20 0 0		
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	4 0 0		
		£75 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	6 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	3 0 0		
		10 0 0	
		£85 0 0	

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			4 0 0
Amount required, ...			£81 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{39}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£43 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{39}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	41 0 0		
		84 0 0	

(Last year, 1d. and 1d. per £.)

V.—SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICTS.

CARLUKE SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, ...	£98 0 0		
Wages of Inspector, ...	13 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2 10 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 10 0		
		£115	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	... ...	4	0 0
		£119	0 0

Receipts

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		46	0 0
Amount required, ...		£73	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £16,700.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£52 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £16,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	50 0 0		
		102	0 0

(Last year, 1d. and 1d. per £.)

DOUGLAS SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		£9	0 0
Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, ...	£65 0 0		
Rent and Upkeep of Coup, ...	5 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	5 0 0		
		75	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		2	0 0
Amount required, ...		£86	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,300.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	£41 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,100.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	39 0 0		
		80	0 0

(Last year, $2\frac{90}{120}$d. and $2\frac{90}{120}$d per £.)

DISTRICT OF THE MIDDLE WARD.

I.—HIGHWAYS.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...				£2,155	0 0
Maintenance—					
Surface Labour, ...	£15,800	0 0			
Materials for Surface Repairs (including Quarry Rents, &c.), ...	21,100	0 0			
Repairs to Bridges, Culverts, Drains, and Fences, ...	3,000	0 0			
			39,900	0	0
Purchase and Repair of Tools, ...	£1,800	0 0			
Repair and upkeep of Footpaths, ...	2,000	0 0			
Miscellaneous, ...	200	0 0			
Improvement of Roads and Bridges, ...	1,000	0 0			
Management and Miscellaneous—					
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer (proportion),	375	0 0			
Salaries of Clerks in District Office (do.),	550	0 0			
Salaries of District Surveyors and Clerk, ...	1,170	0 0			
Engineer's and Staff's Salaries (proportion), ...	630	0 0			
Upkeep, &c., of Offices (do.), ...	180	0 0			
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	330	0 0			
Postages, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ...	270	0 0			
Travelling and expenses of meetings and inspections,	480	0 0			
Law expenses, ...	50	0 0			
Miscellaneous, ...	50	0 0			
			9,085	0	0
Repayment of Debt, ...	£1,000	0 0			
Interest on Debt, ...	450	0 0			
Repayment of Debt (New District Offices), ...	300	0 0			
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...	170	0 0			
Proportion of Expenses of Road Board (as per apportionment on page 11), ...	106	0 0			
Interest on Bank Account, ...	50	0 0			
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	900	0 0			
			2,976	0	0
			£54,116	0	0

Receipts.

Glasgow, &c., Subvention, ...	£1,500	0 0			
Government Grant, say, ...	2,000	0 0			
Gravel, sand, and metal sold, ...	1,100	0 0			
Payment by Lanarkshire Tramways Company, ...	600	0 0			
Miscellaneous, ...	1,500	0 0			
Burgh of Motherwell—Sum in lieu of Rates for First Quarter of Year 1908-9, in terms of the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Act, 1908,	214	0 0			
			6,914	0	0
Amount required, ...			£47,202	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,292,000.					
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield...	£24,225	0 0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,185,400.					
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£22,226	0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ...	1,595	0 0			
	23,821	0 0			
			48,046	0	0

(Last year $4\frac{90}{120}$d. and $4\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

II.—PUBLIC HEALTH.

Expenditure.

Share of General Expenditure, as per apportionment on page 11, ...	£2,193	0	0		
District and Local Sanitary Inspectors' salaries, ...	1,400	0	0		
Travelling expenses and subsistence of Sanitary Inspectors,	300	0	0		
Clerical assistance, ...	450	0	0		
Other expenses, ...	150	0	0		
				£4,493	0	0
Fees for notification of diseases, ...				300	0	0
Fees for revaccination, ...				100	0	0
Upkeep of Hospitals—						
Blantyre Hospital, ...	£50	0	0			
Bothwell Do., ...	1,000	0	0			
Dalserf Do., ...	50	0	0			
Longriggend Hospital, ...	800	0	0			
Middle Ward Do., ...	6,000	0	0			
Shotts Do., ...	950	0	0			
Stonehouse Do., ...	950	0	0			
Lightburn Joint-Hospital (proportion), ...	1,600	0	0			
				11,400	0	0
Wages and upkeep of Bellshill Public Slaughter-house, ...				1,100	0	0
Wages and upkeep of Blantyre Public Slaughter-house, ...				540	0	0
Wages and upkeep of Larkhall Public Slaughter-house, ...				300	0	0
Interments and disinfecting and removing patients and clothing, ...				380	0	0
Cleaning sewers and cesspools, and scavenging, ...				20	0	0
Management and Miscellaneous—						
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer (proportion), ...	£250	0	0			
Salaries of Clerks in District Office (do.), ...	365	0	0			
Upkeep, &c., of Offices (do.), ...	180	0	0			
Salaries of District Engineer and Staff (do.), ...	630	0	0			
Salary and Expenses of Drainage, &c., Inspector, ...	140	0	0			
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	400	0	0			
Travelling and office expenses, ...	260	0	0			
Expenses of meetings and inspections, ...	50	0	0			
Law expenses, ...	100	0	0			
Miscellaneous, ...	50	0	0			
				2,425	0	0
Other Payments—						
Returns of Births and Deaths.	£80	0	0			
Veterinary Surgeons' Fees, ...	150	0	0			
Miscellaneous, ...	50	0	0			
				280	0	0
Repayment of Debt (Hospitals, £3,400; Slaughter-houses, £530; Fire Hydrants, £80), ...	£4,010	0	0			
Interest on Debt, ...	2,400	0	0			
Repayment of Debt (New District Offices), ...	300	0	0			
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...	170	0	0			
Repayment of Debt (County Health Office), ...	170	0	0			
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...	80	0	0			
Expenses of Assessment and Collection.	350	0	0			
Interest on Bank Account, ...	20	0	0			
				7,500	0	0
				£28,838	0	0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£2,273	0	0		
Proportion of Equivalent Grant, ...	6,742	0	0		
Public Slaughter-houses dues, &c., ...	2,600	0	0		
Miscellaneous, ...	500	0	0		
Burgh of Motherwell—Sum in lieu of Rates for the First Quarter of Year 1908-09, in terms of the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Act, 1908,	79	0	0		
				12,194	0	0
Amount required, ...				£16,644	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £1.292.000.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£9,421	0	0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1.185,400.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£8,643	0	0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	300	0	0			
	8,943	0	0			
				18,364	0	0

(Same as last year.)

III.—MIDDLE WARD WATER.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		£1,200 0 0	
Payments for water.	£50 0 0		
Feu-duties. wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...	5,300 0 0		
Repairs, extensions. and upkeep of pipes, ...	900 0 0		
Salaries of water officers and clerks and wages of workmen,	3,100 0 0		
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer (proportion), ...	125 0 0		
Salaries of Clerks in District Office (proportion), ...	190 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	100 0 0		
Upkeep, &c., of Offices (proportion), ...	180 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	50 0 0		
		9,995 0 0	
Repayment of Instalments of Loans and Interest (Old Works), ...	£3,930 0 0		
Annual Instalment (principal and interest) in Repayment of Loan (New Works), ...	19,721 0 0		
Repayment of Debt (New Works—Supplementary), ...	2,400 0 0		
Interest on Debt (Do. do.), ...	2,800 0 0		
Repayment of Debt (New District Offices), ...	300 0 0		
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...	170 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	680 0 0		
Interest on Bank Account, ...	70 0 0		
		30,071 0 0	
		£41,266 0 0	

Receipts.

Special Water Charges, &c., ...		9,800 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£31,466 0 0

PUBLIC WATER RATE.

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,187,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£7,424 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,087,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£6,799 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	400 0 0		
	7,199 0 0		
		£14,623 0 0	

DOMESTIC WATER RATE.

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £395,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£9,063 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £351,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£8,051 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	11 0 0		
	8,062 0 0		
		17,125 0 0	
			31,748 0 0

(Public Water Rate, same as last year.
Domestic Water Rate, same as last year.)

IV.—SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

AITKENHEAD AND TANNOCHSIDE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£7 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	1 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	13 0 0		
Purification, ...	15 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	6 0 0		
Purification, ...	17 0 0		
		£61 0 0	
Carry forward, ...		£61 0 0	

Brought forward, ...			£61 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			36 0 0
Amount required, ...			£25 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £5,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£33 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £5,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	32 0 0		
		65 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

BAILLIESTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£70 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	5 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection.	3 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	15 0 0		
Purification, ...	80 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	5 0 0		
Purification, ...	100 0 0		
		£283 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		248 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£35 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £10,800.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	£135 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £10,400.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield	£130 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	1 0 0		
	131 0 0		
		266 0 0	

(Last year, $3\frac{30}{120}$d. and $3\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

BELLSHILL AND MOSSEND SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£130 0 0		
Feu-duty, ...	86 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	11 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents.	20 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	16 0 0		
Repayment of Old Debt and Interest, ...	58 0 0		
Repayment of New Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	80 0 0		
Purification, ...	125 0 0		
Interest on New Debt—			
Sewerage.	50 0 0		
Purification, ...	140 0 0		
		£716 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		590 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£126 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £50,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£314 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £49,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£309 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	1 0 0		
	310 0 0		
		624 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

BLANTYRE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, and wages of workmen,	£200	0	0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	15	0	0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	15	0	0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	25	0	0		
Repayment of New Debt—					
Sewerage, ...	230	0	0		
Purification, ...	120	0	0		
Interest on New Debt—					
Sewerage, ...	150	0	0		
Purification, ...	90	0	0		
				£845	0	0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...				678	0	0
Amount required, ...				£167	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £46,000.						
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£431	0	0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £44,800.						
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£420	0	0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	1	0	0			
	421	0	0			
				852	0	0

(Last year, $2\frac{60}{120}$d. and $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

BOTHWELL SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£60	0	0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	7	0	0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	6	0	0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	6	0	0		
Repayment of Debt—					
Sewerage, ...	10	0	0		
Purification, ...	80	0	0		
Interest on Debt—					
Sewerage, ...	10	0	0		
Purification, ...	100	0	0		
				£279	0	0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...				158	0	0
Amount required, ...				£121	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £19,700.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£103	0	0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £18,900.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	98	0	0			
				201	0	0

(Same as last year.)

BUSBY SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...				£7	0	0
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£40	0	0			
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5	0	0			
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	2	0	0			
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	6	0	0			
Repayment of Debt—						
Sewerage, ...	10	0	0			
Purification, ...	65	0	0			
Interest on Debt—						
Sewerage, ...	4	0	0			
Purification, ...	62	0	0			
				194	0	0
Amount required, ...				£201	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,300.						
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ...	£107	0	0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,100.						
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ...	103	0	0			
				210	0	0

(Last year, $5\frac{60}{120}$d. and $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

CAMBUSLANG SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, and wages of workmen,				£180	0	0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...				15	0	0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...				20	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...				20	0	0
Repayment of Old Debt and Interest, ...				92	0	0
Repayment of New Debt—						
Sewerage, ...				190	0	0
Purification.				120	0	0
Interest on New Debt—						
Sewerage, ...				120	0	0
Purification, ...				150	0	0
					£907	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...					346	0 0
Amount required, ...					£561	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £79,700.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...				£415	0	0
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £75,700.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£394	0	0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	5	0	0			
				399	0	0
					814	0 0

(Last year, 1d. and 1d. per £.)

CARFIN AND CLEEKHIMIN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...				£15	0	0
Feu-duty, ...				11	0	0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...				5	0	0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...				3	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...				3	0	0
Repayment of New Debt—						
Sewerage, ...				26	0	0
Purification, ...				27	0	0
Interest on New Debt—						
Sewerage, ...				25	0	0
Purification, ...				36	0	0
					£151	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...				£105	0	0
Burgh of Motherwell—Sum in lieu of Rates for the First Quarter of Year 1908-09, in terms of the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Act, 1908,				14	0	0
					119	0 0
Amount required, ...					£32	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,300.						
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...				£34	0	0
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,200.						
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£33	0	0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	1	0	0			
				34	0	0
					68	0 0

(Same as last year.)

CHAPELHALL SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...				£20	0	0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...				3	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...				3	0	0
Repayment of Old Debt and Interest, ...				35	0	0
Repayment of New Debt—Purification, ...				45	0	0
Interest on New Debt— Do., ...				35	0	0
					£141	0 0
Carry forward, ...					£141	0 0

Brought forward, ...			£141 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			59 0 0
Amount required, ...			£82 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,700.			
An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield ...	£62 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,600.			
An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield ...	60 0 0		
		122 0 0	

(Last year, $3\frac{60}{120}$d. and $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

CLELAND AND OMOA SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			£53 0 0
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£50 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	1 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	7 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	25 0 0		
Purification, ...	40 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	25 0 0		
Purification, ...	42 0 0		
		190 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£243 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£122 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	116 0 0		
		238 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

DALZELL AND NETHERTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			£89 0 0
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£20 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	2 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	15 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	188 0 0		
Purification, ...	110 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	120 0 0		
Purification, ...	130 0 0		
		585 0 0	
		£674 0 0	
Receipts.			
Burgh of Motherwell—Sum in lieu of rates for the First Quarter of Year 1908-09, in terms of the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Act, 1908, ...		68 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£606 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £18,100.			
An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield ...	£302 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £17,900.			
An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield	£298 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	1 0 0		
	299 0 0		
		601 0 0	

(Last year, 3d. and 3d. per £.)

EAST KILBRIDE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£75 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	4 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	12 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	85 0 0		
Purification, ...	90 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	55 0 0		
Purification, ...	100 0 0		
		£426	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		89	0 0
Amount required, ...		£337	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,300.			
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield ...	£213 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £6,800.			
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield ...	198 0 0		
		411	0 0

(Last year, $7\frac{30}{120}$d. and $7\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

HOLYTOWN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£20 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	2 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	20 0 0		
Purification, ...	5 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	12 0 0		
Purification, ...	6 0 0		
		£69	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		19	0 0
Amount required, ...		£50	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,200.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	£35 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,100.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	34 0 0		
		69	0 0

(Same as last year.)

LARKHALL SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, wayleaves, &c., ...	£40 0 0		
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, and wages of workmen,	200 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	10 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	15 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	20 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	255 0 0		
Purification, ...	120 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	109 0 0		
Purification, ...	150 0 0		
		£919	0 0
Carry forward, ...		£919	0 0

Brought forward, ...				£919 0 0
Receipts.				
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£452 0 0			
Rent of Braehead Farm, &c., ...	40 0 0			
			492 0 0	
Amount required, ...				£427 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £33,600.				
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£350 0 0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £33,000.				
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£344 0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	2 0 0			
		346 0 0		
			696 0 0	
(Same as last year.)				

MOUNT VERNON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.				
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£30 0 0			
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	5 0 0			
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	12 0 0			
Repayment of Debt—				
Sewerage, ...	230 0 0			
Purification, ...	120 0 0			
Interest on Debt—				
Sewerage, ...	40 0 0			
Purification, ...	140 0 0			
			£577 0 0	
Receipts.				
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			272 0 0	
Amount required, ...				£305 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £30,300.				
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£253 0 0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £28,800.				
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£240 0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	7 0 0			
		247 0 0		
			500 0 0	
(Last year, $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)				

NEW STEVENSTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.				
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£20 0 0			
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,...	2 0 0			
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	3 0 0			
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2 0 0			
Repayment of Debt—Sewerage, ...	25 0 0			
Interest on Debt— Do., ...	12 0 0			
			£64 0 0	
Receipts.				
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			22 0 0	
Amount required, ...				£42 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,900.				
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	£33 0 0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,700.				
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	32 0 0			
			65 0 0	
(Last year, $\frac{90}{120}$d. and $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)				

NEWTON AND FLEMINGTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£55 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	15 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	15 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	15 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	170 0 0		
Purification, ...	160 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	15 0 0		
Purification, ...	110 0 0		
		£555	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		330	0 0
Amount required, ...		£225	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £23,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£246 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £23,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	242 0 0		
		488	0 0

(Same as last year.)

STONEHOUSE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£50 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	5 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	6 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—Sewerage, ...	100 0 0		
Interest on Debt— Do., ...	50 0 0		
		£211	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		132	0 0
Amount required, ...		£79	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,700.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	£96 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,600.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	95 0 0		
		191	0 0

(Same as last year.)

STRATHAVEN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£80 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	10 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	3 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	22 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	150 0 0		
Purification, ...	200 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	80 0 0		
Purification, ...	185 0 0		
		£730	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		37	0 0
Amount required, ...		£693	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £15,500.			
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ...	£388 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £14,700.			
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ...	368 0 0		
		756	0 0

(Same as last year.)

UDDINGSTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, and wages of workmen,	£100	0	0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	15	0	0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	12	0	0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	17	0	0		
Repayment of Debt—					
Sewerage, ...	100	0	0		
Purification, ...	150	0	0		
Interest on Debt—					
Sewerage, ...	80	0	0		
Purification, ...	120	0	0		
				£594	0	0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...				274	0	0
Amount required, ...				£320	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £45,000.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£281	0	0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £43,800.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	274	0	0			
				555	0	0
(Same as last year.)						

V.—SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICTS.

AITKENHEAD AND TANNOCHSIDE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year, ...	£26	0	0
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	35	0	0
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	5	0	0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,...	3	0	0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents.	3	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2	0	0
Repayment of Debt, ...	8	0	0
Interest on Debt, ...	6	0	0
	£88	0	0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...				24	0	0
Amount required, ...				£64	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £5,200.						
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	£44	0	0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £5,100.						
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	43	0	0			
				87	0	0
(Same as last year.)						

BAILLIESTON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...				£12	0	0
Cost of Gas Supply for year, ...	£50	0	0			
Wages of Lamplighters.	25	0	0			
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	18	0	0			
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	3	0	0			
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	2	0	0			
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	3	0	0			
				101	0	0
Amount required, ...				£113	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £12,400.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£65	0	0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £11,900.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	62	0	0			
				127	0	0
(Last year, 1d. and 1d. per £.)						

BELLSHILL AND MOSSEND SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,			£200 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,			100 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, &c.,			50 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			11 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents.			10 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			10 0 0
Repayment of Debt,			20 0 0
Interest on Debt.			12 0 0
			£413 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909,			53 0 0
Amount required,			£360 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £50,300. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield	£210 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £49,500. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield	206 0 0		
			416 0 0

(Same as last year.)

BLANTYRE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,			£340 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,			150 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, &c.,			90 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			15 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,			10 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			17 0 0
Repayment of Debt,			37 0 0
Interest on Debt,			15 0 0
			£674 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909,			105 0 0
Amount required,			£569 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £52,300. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£327 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £50,700. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	317 0 0		
			644 0 0

(Same as last year.)

BOTHWELL SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply,			£160 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,			80 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,			30 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			12 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,			7 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			9 0 0
Repayment of Debt,			20 0 0
Interest on Debt,			6 0 0
			£324 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909,			124 0 0
Amount required,			£200 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £22,800. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£166 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £21,900. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	160 0 0		
			326 0 0

(Same as last year.)

BUSBY SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year, ...			£26 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters, ...			15 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, ...			10 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...			2 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents.			1 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			2 0 0
			£56 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			41 0 0
Amount required, ...			£15 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,100. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	£17	0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,000. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	17	0 0	
			34 0 0

(Same as last year.)

CALDERBANK SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year, including lighting, &c., ...			£38 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, ...			3 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,...			1 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...			2 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			2 0 0
			£46 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			12 0 0
Amount required, ...			£34 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £7.200. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£23	0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,150. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	22	0 0	
			45 0 0

(Same as last year.)

CAMBUSLANG SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas and Electric Light Supply for year, ...			£600 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters, ...			200 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, ...			150 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...			15 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...			20 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			32 0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...			90 0 0
Interest on Debt, ...			60 0 0
			£1,167 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			79 0 0
Amount required, ...			£1,088 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £82,800. An Assessment thereon at 1$\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£604	0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £78,200. An Assessment thereon at 1$\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	570	0 0	
			1.174 0 0

(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)

CARMYLE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,		£35 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,		24 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,		12 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,		2 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,		2 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,		2 0 0
Repayment of Debt,		8 0 0
		£85 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909,		23 0 0
Amount required,		£62 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £11,400. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	£47 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £10,800. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	45 0 0	
		92 0 0

(Same as last year.)

DALZELL AND NETHERTON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,		£50 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,		45 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, &c.,		20 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,		4 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,		2 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,		3 0 0
Repayment of Debt,		20 0 0
Interest on Debt,		15 0 0
		£159 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909,	£263 0 0	
Burgh of Motherwell—Sum in lieu of Rates for the First Quarter of Year 1908-09, in terms of the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Act, 1908,	29 0 0	
		292 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £18,100. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	£75 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £17,900. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	75 0 0	
		£150 0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{30}{120}$d. and $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

EAST KILBRIDE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909,		£21 0 0
Cost of Gas Supply for year,	£50 0 0	
Wages of Lamplighters,	26 0 0	
Upkeep of Lamps,	20 0 0	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	4 0 0	
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	2 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	3 0 0	
Repayment of Debt,	6 0 0	
	111 0 0	
Amount required,		£132 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,300. An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£68 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £6,800. An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	64 0 0	
		132 0 0

(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)

HOLYTOWN, NEW STEVENSTON, AND CARFIN SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas and Electric Light Supply for year,		£180 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,		100 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, &c.,		50 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,		6 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,		10 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,		10 0 0
Repayment of Debt,		40 0 0
Interest on Debt,		25 0 0
		£421 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909,	£31 0 0	
Burgh of Motherwell—Sum in lieu of Rates for the First Quarter of Year 1908-09, in terms of the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Act, 1908,	16 0 0	
		47 0 0
Amount required,		£374 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £25,300.		
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£211 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £24,300.		
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	203 0 0	
		414 0 0

(Last year—Holytown and New Stevenston, 2d. and 2d. per £. Carfin and Cleekhimin, $2\frac{90}{120}$d. and $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

LARKHALL SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,	£150 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,	90 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,	30 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	5 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	10 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	9 0 0
Repayment of Debt,	8 0 0
	£302 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909,	74 0 0
Amount required,	£228 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £33,800.	
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£158 0 0
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £33,200.	
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield	156 0 0
	314 0 0

(Same as last year.)

SHOTTS AND DYKEHEAD SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,	£130 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,	75 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,	40 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	10 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	10 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	9 0 0
Repayment of Debt,	25 0 0
Interest on Debt,	15 0 0
	£314 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909,	1 0 0
Amount required,	£313 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £19,200.	
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£160 0 0
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £19,000.	
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	158 0 0
	318 0 0

(Same as last year.)

STONEHOUSE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,			£30 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,			18 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,			30 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			2 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,			2 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			2 0 0
			£84 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909,			11 0 0
Amount required,			£73 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,200. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£43 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,900. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	41 0 0		
			84 0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

STRATHAVEN SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,			£90 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,			65 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,			30 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			10 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,			2 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			6 0 0
Repayment of Debt,			8 0 0
Interest on Debt,			5 0 0
			£216 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909,			33 0 0
Amount required,			£183 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £15,500. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£113 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £14,600. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	106 0 0		
			219 0 0

(Same as last year.)

UDDINGSTON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,			£240 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,			100 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,			55 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			15 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,			10 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			14 0 0
Repayment of Debt,			20 0 0
Interest on Debt,			6 0 0
			£460 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909,			115 0 0
Amount required,			£345 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £47,500. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£247 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £46,200. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	241 0 0		
			488 0 0

(Same as last year.)

VI.—SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICTS.

BELLSHILL AND MOSSEND SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			£83 0 0
Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...	£590 0 0		
Feu-duty, ...	40 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	11 0 0		
Upkeep of Urinals, ...	20 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	5 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	50 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	36 0 0		
		752	0 0
Amount required, ...		£835	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £50,300.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	£419 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £49,500.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	413 0 0		
		832	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{90}{120}$d. and $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

BLANTYRE SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...	£600	0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	10	0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	10	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	20	0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...	70	0 0
Interest on Debt, ...	60	0 0
Amount required, ...	£770	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £41,800.		
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £392 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £40,800.		
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... 383 0 0		
	775	0 0

(First Assessment.)

BOTHWELL SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...	£240	0 0
Rent of land for destructor (proportion), ...	7	0 0
Wages and upkeep of destructor (proportion), ...	110	0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, &c., ...	13	0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	10	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	13	0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...	25	0 0
Interest on Debt, ...	14	0 0
	£432	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	60	0 0
Amount required, ...	£372	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £22,800.		
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £238 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £21,900.		
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... 228 0 0		
	466	0 0

(Same as last year.)

CAMBUSLANG SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c.,			£700 0 0
Wages and upkeep of destructor,			400 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			15 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,			50 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			40 0 0
Repayment of Debt,			265 0 0
Interest on Debt,			210 0 0
			£1,680 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909,			89 0 0
Amount required,			£1,591 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £80,300. An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£836 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £76,300. An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	795 0 0		
		1,631 0 0	
(Same as last year.)			

CARFIN AND CLEEKHIMIN SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to bank at 15th May, 1909,			£95 0 0
Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets,	£90 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	5 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	3 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	4 0 0		
		102 0 0	
		£197 0 0	

Receipts.

Burgh of Motherwell—Sum in lieu of Rates for the First Quarter of Year 1908-09, in terms of the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Act, 1908,			10 0 0
Amount required,			£187 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,300. *An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield	£55 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,200. *An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield	53 0 0		
		108 0 0	
(Last year. $1\frac{90}{120}$d. and $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)			

CARMYLE AND MOUNT VERNON SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets,			£230 0 0
Rents of stable and coup,			20 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			5 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,			10 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			7 0 0
Amount required,			£272 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £16,700. An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£139 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £16,500. An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	138 0 0		
		277 0 0	
(First Assessment).			

* Subject to the consent of (1) the Secretary for Scotland under Section 11 of the Lanarkshire Electricity and Refuse Destruction Order, 1903, and (2) the Local Government Board under Section 16 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908.

DALZELL AND NETHERTON SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			£49 0 0
Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...	£140 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,...	5 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	3 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	7 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	12 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	11 0 0		
		178	0 0
		£227	0 0

Receipts.

Burgh of Motherwell—Sum in lieu of Rates for the First Quarter of Year 1908-09, in terms of the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Act, 1908, ...		29	0 0
Amount required, ...		£198	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £18,300. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£114 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £18,100. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	113 0 0		
		227	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{30}{120}$d. and $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

STRATHAVEN SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...	£160	0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	10	0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	2	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	5	0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...	6	0 0
	£183	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		260	0 0
Amount required, ...		...	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £15,500. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£48 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £14,600. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	46 0 0		
		£94	0 0

(Last year, 1d. and 1d. per £.)

UDDINGSTON SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		£16	0 0
Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...	£520 0 0		
Rent of land for destructor (proportion), ...	13 0 0		
Wages and upkeep of destructor (proportion), ...	250 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, &c., ...	18 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	10 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	25 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	75 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	35 0 0		
		£946	0 0
Amount required, ...		£962	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £48,200. An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£502 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £46,900. An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	489 0 0		
		991	0 0

(Last year, $2\frac{30}{120}$d. and $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

DISTRICT OF THE LOWER WARD.

I.—HIGHWAYS.

Expenditure.

Maintenance (as per Surveyor's Annual Report)—						
Surface Labour, ...	£6,148	0	0			
Materials for Surface Repairs, ...	5,504	0	0			
Repairs to Bridges, Culverts, Drains, and Fences, ...	220	0	0			
Purchase and Repair of Tools, ...	100	0	0			
Footpaths, Kerbing, and Causewaying Crossings, ...	1,800	0	0			
Miscellaneous, ...	175	0	0			
Improvement of Roads and Bridges, ...	100	0	0			
				£14,047	0	0
Management and Miscellaneous—						
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer (proportion),...	£525	0	0			
Salary of District Surveyor, ...	425	0	0			
Rent, Cleaning, and Lighting of Surveyor's Office, ...	25	0	0			
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery.	150	0	0			
Postages, Receipt and Agreement Stamps, and Petty Outlays, ...	75	0	0			
Expenses of Meetings and Inspections, ...	25	0	0			
Law Expenses, including Court Proceedings, ...	600	0	0			
Expenses connected with Provisional Orders, &c., ...	100	0	0			
Miscellaneous, ...	250	0	0			
				2,175	0	0
Proportion of Expenses of Road Board, as per apportionment on page 11, ...	£25	0	0			
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	240	0	0			
				265	0	0
Proportion of Expenditure for Dalmarnock and Rutherglen Joint Bridges, ...				120	0	0
				£16,607	0	0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£1,303	0	0			
Subventions, ...	6,000	0	0			
Government Grant towards cost of Maintaining Roads, ...	662	0	0			
Contribution in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	130	0	0			
Miscellaneous, ...	148	0	0			
				8,243	0	0
Amount required.				£8,364	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £301,600.						
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{45}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£4,241	0	0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £272,500.						
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{45}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £3,832 0 0						
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, 350 0 0						
	4,182	0	0			
				8,423	0	0
(Last year, $3\frac{30}{120}$d. and $3\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)						

II.—PUBLIC HEALTH.

Expenditure.

Share of General Expenditure, as per apportionment on page 11, ...	£512	0	0			
District and Local Sanitary Inspectors' Salaries, ...	575	0	0			
Travelling Expenses of Sanitary Inspectors, ...	50	0	0			
Clerical Assistance in Sanitary Office, ...	130	0	0			
Other Expenses, ...	300	0	0			
				£1,567	0	0
Carry forward, ...				£1,567	0	0

Brought forward, ...			£1,567 0 0
Fees for Notification of Diseases, ...			95 0 0
Upkeep of Hospitals—			
Lightburn, ...	£1,900 0 0		
Shieldhall, ...	150 0 0		
		2,050 0 0	
Interments, Disinfecting and Removing Patients and Clothing,... ...			45 0 0
Cleaning Sewers and Cesspools, and Scavenging, ...			200 0 0
Management and Miscellaneous—			
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer (proportion),	£525 0 0		
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...	170 0 0		
Postages and Petty Outlays, ...	50 0 0		
Expenses of Meetings and Inspections, ...	10 0 0		
Law Expenses, including Prosecutions, ...	50 0 0		
Expenses connected with Provisional Orders, &c., ...	200 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	250 0 0		
		1,255 0 0	
Other Payments—			
Returns of Births and Deaths, ...	£20 0 0		
Returns of Conscientious Objectors to Vaccination, ...	5 0 0		
Analysts' and Veterinary Surgeons' Fees, ...	10 0 0		
Inspection of Dairy Herds, ...	25 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	50 0 0		
		110 0 0	
Repayment of Debt (Lightburn Joint-Hospital), ...	£300 0 0		
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...	25 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	80 0 0		
		405 0 0	
		£5,727 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£976 0 0		
Proportion of Equivalent Grant, ...	1,569 0 0		
Contribution in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	49 0 0		
Interest, ...	30 0 0		
		2,624 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£3,103 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £301,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£1,571 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £272,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£1,419 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	190 0 0		
		1,609 0 0	
		3,180 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

III.—SPECIAL WATER DISTRICTS.

NORTH CADDER SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Payments for Water, ...	£400 0 0		
Feu-duties, Wayleaves, Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	27 0 0		
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep of Pipes, &c., ...	50 0 0		
Salaries of Water Officers, ...	75 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	12 0 0		
Engineers' Fees, ...	15 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	5 0 0		
		£584 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£20 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	400 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	250 0 0		
		670 0 0	
Carry forward, ...			£1,254 0 0

Brought forward, ...			£1,254 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£103 0 0		
Special Water and Meter Charges, ...	280 0 0		
Water Connections, ...	4 0 0		
		387 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£867 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £16,900.			
An Assessment thereon at $7\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£528 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £11,900.			
An Assessment thereon at $7\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	372 0 0		
		900 0 0	
(Same as last year.)			

SOUTH CADDER SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Payments for Water, ...	£2,180 0 0		
Feu-duties, Wayleaves, Rents, Taxes, &c..	65 0 0		
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep of Pipes, &c., ...	100 0 0		
Salaries of Water Officers.	185 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	15 0 0		
Engineers' Fees, ...	25 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	30 0 0		
		£2,600 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£55 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	650 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	360 0 0		
		1,065 0 0	
		£3,665 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£95 0 0		
Special Water and Meter Charges, ...	1,180 0 0		
Water Connections, ...	14 0 0		
		1,289 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£2,376 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £45,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£1,279 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £33,400.			
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	939 0 0		
		2,218 0 0	
(Last year, $6\frac{30}{120}$d. and $6\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)			

SOUTH LENZIE SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Balance due Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		£4 0 0	
Burgh of Kirkintilloch, in terms of Agreement of 1875, ...		260 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, &c., ...		8 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£272 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£141 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £7,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£135 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ...	3 0 0		
	138 0 0		
		279 0 0	
(Last year, 5d. and 5d. per £.)			

IV.—SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

BARONY SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep, ...	£200 0 0		
Wages of Workmen, ...	70 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	10 0 0		
Engineers' Fees, ...	75 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	15 0 0		
		£370	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£50 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	1,000 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	300 0 0		
		1,350	0 0
		£1,720	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£739 0 0		
Contribution in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	60 0 0		
Drainage Connections, ...	45 0 0		
		844	0 0
Amount required, ...		£876	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £109,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£684 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £102,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £642 0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, 18 0 0			
	660 0 0		
		1,344	0 0
(Last year $1\frac{90}{120}$d. and $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)			

NOTE.—In addition, the Glasgow Sewage Purification Rate to be levied on the Northern portion of the District within the limits of the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1901, is 2d. on Owners and 2d. on Occupiers.

(Same as last year.)

NOTE.—In the southern portion of the district, outwith the Glasgow Sewage Purification Area, the following is the estimate of Expenditure for Purification and Disposal Works for the current year :—

Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£10 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	100 0 0		
Interest on Debt.	50 0 0		
		£160	0 0
Amount required, ...		£160	0 0
Owners estimated Valuation of District, £49,620.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£103 0 0		
Occupiers estimated Valuation of District, £46.600.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	97 0 0		
		200	0 0

(First assessment.)

BISHOPBRIGGS AND AUCHINAIRN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep, ...	£50 0 0		
Wages of Workmen, ...	10 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	10 0 0		
		£70	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£15 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	400 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	265 0 0		
		680	0 0
Carry forward, ...		£750	0 0

Brought forward, ...			£750 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			476 0 0
Amount required, ...			£274 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £15,900.			
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£298 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £15,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	283 0 0		
		581 0 0	
(last year, 5d. and 5d. per £.)			

CARMUNNOCK SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep, ...	£10 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	1 0 0		
		£11 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	15 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	2 0 0		
		18 0 0	
		£29 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		45 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,600.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	£13 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,500.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£13 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ...	1 0 0		
	14 0 0		
		27 0 0	
(Same as last year.)			

RUTHERGLEN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Feu-duties, Wayleaves, Rents, and Taxes, ...	£20 0 0		
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep, ...	30 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	10 0 0		
		£60 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£10 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	150 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	130 0 0		
		290 0 0	
		£350 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		14 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£336 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £35,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£182 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £32,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	167 0 0		
		349 0 0	
(Last year, $\frac{80}{120}$ and $\frac{80}{120}$ per £.)			

SOUTH LENZIE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Burgh of Kirkintilloch, in terms of Agreement of 1887, ...		*Nil.*	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£10 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	200 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	54 0 0		
		£264 0 0	
Carry forward, ...		£264 0 0	

Brought forward, ...				£264 0 0
Receipts.				
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£23 0 0			
Balance due by Burgh of Kirkintilloch, ...	9 0 0			
			32 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£232 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,500.				
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£124 0 0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,100.				
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £118 0 0				
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ... 7 0 0				
	125 0 0			
			249 0 0	
(Last year 4d. and 4d. per £.)				

STEPPS SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Feu-duties, Wayleaves, Rents, and Taxes, ...	£15 0 0		
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep, ...	50 0 0		
Wages of Workmen, ...	35 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	5 0 0		
		£105 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£8 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	160 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	135 0 0		
		303 0 0	
		£408 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		390 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£18 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £8,500.			
An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield ...	£142 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £7,900.			
An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield ...	131 0 0		
		273 0 0	
(Last year $4\frac{60}{120}$d. and $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)			

V.—SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICTS.

BISHOPBRIGGS SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909.		£29 0 0	
Gas Supply, ...	£125 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	50 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	30 0 0		
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	8 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	6 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	2 0 0		
		221 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£7 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	12 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	4 0 0		
		23 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£273 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £14,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{45}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£141 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £13,700.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{45}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	136 0 0		
		277 0 0	
(Last year, $2\frac{60}{120}$d. and $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)			

LAMBHILL SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			£5 0 0
Gas Supply, ...	£41 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	26 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	5 0 0		
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	1 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	3 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	2 0 0		
		78	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£2 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	3 10 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	0 10 0		
		6	0 0
Amount required, ...		£89	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £5,800.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	£48 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £5,500.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	46 0 0		
		94	0 0

(Last year $1\frac{90}{120}$d. and $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

LINTHOUSE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Gas Supply, ...	£40 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, and Uniforms, ...	25 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	15 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	4 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	1 0 0		
		£85	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£2 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	15 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	4 0 0		
		21	0 0
		£106	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		31	0 0
Amount required, ...		£75	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £20,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£52 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £19,700.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	51 0 0		
		103	0 0

(Same as last year.)

MILLERSTON AND STEPPS SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Gas Supply, ...	£110 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	48 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	30 0 0		
Rent, Taxes, &c., ...	5 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	10 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	5 0 0		
		£208	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£6 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	18 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	8 0 0		
Interest on Bank Account, ...	1 0 0		
		33	0 0
		£241	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		13	0 0
Amount required, ...		£228	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £11,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£117 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £10,400.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	108 0 0		
		225	0 0

(Same as last year.)

RUTHERGLEN SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Gas Supply, ...	£250 0 0			
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	130 0 0			
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	35 0 0			
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	10 10 0			
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	5 0 0			
Miscellaneous, ...	4 10 0			
		£435	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£12 0 0			
Repayment of Debt, ...	25 0 0			
Interest on Debt, ...	10 0 0			
	47	0	0	
	£482	0	0	

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	174	0	0	
Amount required, ...	£308	0	0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £24,800.				
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	£207 0 0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £22,600.				
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	188 0 0			
	395	0	0	

(Same as last year.)

SHETTLESTON AND TOLLCROSS SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Gas Supply, ...	£571 0 0			
Wages of Lamplighters, and Uniforms, ...	366 0 0			
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	94 0 0			
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	14 0 0			
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	40 0 0			
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	3 0 0			
Miscellaneous, ...	4 0 0			
		£1,092	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£40 0 0			
Repayment of Debt, ...	60 0 0			
Interest on Debt, ...	10 0 0			
	110	0	0	
	£1,202	0	0	

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	100	0	0	
Amount required, ...	£1.102	0	0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £98,800.				
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{45}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£566 0 0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £92,900.				
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{45}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£532 0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ...	4 0 0			
	536	0	0	
	1,102	0	0	

(Last year, $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

SOUTH LENZIE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...	£14	0	0	
Gas Supply, ...	£50 0 0			
Wages of Lamplighters, and Uniforms, ...	32 0 0			
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	40 0 0			
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	7 0 0			
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	3 0 0			
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	1 0 0			
	133	0	0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	4	0	0	
Amount required, ...	£151	0	0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,800.				
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£73 0 0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,500.				
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	70 0 0			
	143	0	0	

(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)

VI.—SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICTS.

BISHOPBRIGGS AND AUCHINAIRN SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, &c., ...	£227 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	8 10 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	1 10 0		
Upkeep of Urinal, ...	20 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 0 0		
		£258	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£7 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	5 0 0		
		12	0 0
		£270	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		8	0 0
Amount required, ...		£262	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £15,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£133 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £14,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	127 0 0		
		260	0 0
(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)			

CHRYSTON AND MUIRHEAD SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, &c., ...	£90 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	2 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 0 0		
		£98	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		3	0 0
		£101	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		12	0 0
Amount required, ...		£89	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £6,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{105}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£49 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £6,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{105}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	47 0 0		
		96	0 0
(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)			

RUTHERGLEN SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, &c., ...	£132 0 0		
Cost of Destruction of Refuse, ...	80 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	6 0 0		
Cost of New Dust Cart, ...	21 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	6 0 0		
		£250	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		7	0 0
		£257	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		118	0 0
Amount required, ...		£139	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £24,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£115 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £22,400.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	105 0 0		
		220	0 0
(Last year, $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)			

SHETTLESTON AND TOLLCROSS SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...			£26 0 0
Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, &c., ...	£1,480 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	15 0 0		
Cost of New Dust Carts and Repairs, ...	45 0 0		
Rents and Upkeep of Coups and Refuse Destructor (including Feu-duty), ...	635 0 0		
Upkeep of Urinals, ...	10 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	5 0 0		
		£2,190	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£75 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	200 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	160 0 0		
		435	0 0
		£2,651	0 0

Receipts.

Sale of Clinker and Old Metal, ...		75	0 0
Amount required, ...		£2,576	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £98,400.			
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£1,281 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £92,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	1,206 0 0		
		2,487	0 0

(Last year, 3d. and 3d per £.)

SOUTH LENZIE SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, &c., ...	£99 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub Committee, ...	3 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	1 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 0 0		
		£104	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		3	0 0
		£107	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1909, ...		9	0 0
Amount required, ...		£98	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£53 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	51 0 0		
		104	0 0

(Same as last year.)

STEPPS SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, &c., ...	£70 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	7 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 0 0		
		£83	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		5	0 0
Amount required, ...		£88	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,700.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£48 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	46 0 0		
		94	0 0

(First Assessment.)

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED RATES.

To ascertain and compare the amount of the Consolidated Rate on a property in any of the undermentioned Districts, it is to be kept in mind that the "County," "Road," and the "Public Health" Rates are, except as regards Burghs, common to the whole District, and that if the property is within a Special District or the Middle Ward Water District the rate or rates thereof fall to be added.

UPPER WARD DISTRICT.

	OWNERS.				OCCUPIERS.			
	1909-1910.	1908-1909.	Increase.	Decrease.	1909-1910.	1908-1909.	Increase.	Decrease.
Cumulo of County, Road, and Public Health Rates, ...	$9\frac{108}{120}$d.	$10\frac{12}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{24}{120}$d.	$8\frac{11}{120}$d.	$8\frac{35}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{24}{120}$d.
Do. County Rates (Burgh of Biggar),	$3\frac{48}{120}$d.	$3\frac{72}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{24}{120}$d.	$1\frac{71}{120}$d.	$1\frac{95}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{24}{120}$d.
Blackwood Special Water District, ...	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	7d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	7d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—
Braidwood do. do., ...	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Carluke do. do., ...	$4\frac{30}{120}$d.	$5\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$4\frac{30}{120}$d.	$5\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.
Do. do. Drainage District,	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{45}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{45}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.
Do. do. Lighting do.,	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Do. do. Scavenging do.,	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	1d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	1d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Carnwath Special Water District, ...	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Drainage do., ...	$6\frac{90}{120}$d.	$6\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$6\frac{90}{120}$d.	$6\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Crawford do. Water do., ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Crosslaw do. Drainage do., ...	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do.. ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Douglas do. Water do., ...	1d.	1d.	—	—	1d.	1d.	—	—
Do. do. Drainage do., ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	1d.	1d.	—	—	1d.	1d.	—	—
Do. do. Scavenging District, ...	3d.	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	3d.	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Kirkfieldbank Special Water District, ...	$7\frac{90}{120}$d.	$7\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$7\frac{90}{120}$d.	$7\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Law do. do. do., ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	3d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	3d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Do. do. Drainage do., ...	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{75}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{45}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{75}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{45}{120}$d.
Lesmahagow do. Water do., ...	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Drainage do., ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	1d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	1d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Roberton do. Water do., ...	1s. 1d.	1s.	1d.	—	1s. 1d.	1s.	1d.	—
Thankerton do. do. do., ...	7d.	5d.	2d.	—	7d.	5d.	2d.	—
Do. do. Drainage do., ...	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{75}{120}$d.	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{75}{120}$d.

MIDDLE WARD DISTRICT.

	OWNERS.				OCCUPIERS.			
	1909-1910.	1908-1909.	Increase.	Decrease.	1909-1910.	1908-1909.	Increase.	Decrease
Cumulo of County, Road, and Public Health Rates (Parishes of Avondale, Blantyre, Bothwell H, Cambuslang, Cambusnethan, Dalserf, Dalziel, East Kilbride, Glasford, Hamilton, Shotts H, and Stonehouse), ...	$10\frac{21}{120}$d.	$10\frac{72}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{51}{120}$d.	$8\frac{12}{120}$d.	$8\frac{63}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{51}{120}$d.
Cumulo of County, Road, and Public Health Rates (Parishes of Bothwell A, New Monkland, Old Monkland, and Shotts A), ...	$10\frac{77}{120}$d.	$11\frac{21}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{64}{120}$d.	$8\frac{5}{120}$d.	$8\frac{69}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{64}{120}$d.
Do. do. (Burgh of Motherwell),	$4\frac{51}{120}$d.	$4\frac{55}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{4}{120}$d.	$1\frac{99}{120}$d.	$1\frac{103}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{4}{120}$d.
Do. do. (Burgh of Wishaw),	$1\frac{82}{120}$d.	$1\frac{93}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{11}{120}$d.	$1\frac{19}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{11}{120}$d.
Middle Ward Water District—Public Rate,	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Domestic Rate,	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Drainage District, ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Lighting District, ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Baillieston Special Drainage District, ...	3d.	$3\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	3d.	$3\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	1d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	1d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—

MIDDLE WARD DISTRICT—*Continued.*

	OWNERS.				OCCUPIERS.			
	1909-1910.	1908-1909.	Increase.	Decrease.	1909-1910	1908-1909.	Increase.	Decrease.
Bellshill Special Drainage District, ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Bellshill and Mossend Special Lighting District, ...	1d.	1d.	—	—	1d.	1d.	—	—
Do. do. Special Scavenging District,	2d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	2d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Blantyre Special Drainage District, ...	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Scavenging do., ...	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	First assessment.		$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	First assessment.	
Bothwell do. Drainage do., ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Scavenging do., ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Busby do. Drainage do., ...	6d.	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	6d.	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	1d.	1d.	—	—	1d.	1d.	—	—
Calderbank Special Lighting District, ...	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Cambuslang do. Drainage do.. ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	1d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	1d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Do. do. Scavenging do., ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. Electric Lighting Order, ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Carfin and Cleekhimin Special Drainage District, ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Carfin and Cleekhimin Special Scavenging District, ...	4d	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	4d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Carmyle Special Lighting District, ...	1d.	1d.	—	—	1d.	1d.	—	—
Carmyle and Mount Vernon Special Scavenging District, ...	2d.	—	First assessment.		2d.	—	First assessment.	
Chapelhall Special Drainage District, ...	4d.	$3\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	4d.	$3\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—
Cleland and Omoa do. do., ...	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Dalzell and Netherton do. do., ...	4d.	3d.	1d	—	4d.	3d.	1d.	—
Do. Lighting do., ...	1d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	1d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Do. Scavenging do., ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
East Kilbride Special Drainage District,	7d.	$7\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	7d.	$7\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Do. do. Lighting do.,	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	2d	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	2d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d	—
Holytown Special Drainage District, ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District, ...	2d.	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	Carfin and Cleekhimin	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	2d.	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	Carfin and Cleekhimin	$\frac{90}{120}$d.
		2d.	—	—		2d.	—	—
Larkhall Special Drainage District, ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	—
Mount Vernon Special Drainage District,	2d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d	—	2d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—
New Stevenston do. do. do.,	1d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	1d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Newton and Flemington do. do.,	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Shotts and Dykehead Special Lighting District, ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Stonehouse Special Drainage District, ...	3d.	3d.	—	—	3d.	3d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Strathaven do. Drainage do., ...	6d.	6d.	—	—	6d.	6d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Scavenging do.. ...	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	1d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	1d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Uddingston do. Drainage do., ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Scavenging do., ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d	—

LOWER WARD DISTRICT.

	OWNERS.				OCCUPIERS.			
	1909-1910.	1908-1909.	Increase.	Decrease.	1909-1910.	1908-1909.	Increase.	Decrease.
Cumulo of County, Road, and Public Health Rates (Parishes of Cadder, Carmunnock, and Rutherglen), ...	$9\frac{93}{120}$d.	10d.	—	$\frac{27}{120}$d.	$6\frac{96}{120}$d.	$7\frac{3}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{27}{120}$d.
Do. do. (Parish of Glasgow), ...	$10\frac{11}{120}$d.	$10\frac{38}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{27}{120}$d.	$7\frac{25}{120}$d.	$7\frac{52}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{27}{120}$d.
Do. do. (Parish of Govan, Landward),	$10\frac{10}{120}$d.	$10\frac{33}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{23}{120}$d.	$7\frac{13}{120}$d.	$7\frac{36}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{23}{120}$d.

LOWER WARD DISTRICT—*Continued.*

	OWNERS.				OCCUPIERS.			
	1909-1910.	1908-1909.	Increase.	Decrease.	1909-1910.	1908-1909.	Increase.	Decrease.
Cumulo of County Rates (Burghs of Govan and Partick), ...	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{40}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{10}{120}$d.	$1\frac{83}{120}$d.	$1\frac{93}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{10}{120}$d.
Barony Special Drainage District, ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Do., (Purification Works—South),	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	First assessment.		$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	First assessment.	
Do. Glasgow Sewage Purification Area,	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Bishopbriggs Special Lighting District, ...	$2\frac{45}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	$2\frac{45}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Special Drainage District, ...	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	5d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	5d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Special Scavenging District, ...	$2\frac{15}{120}$d.	2d.	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	$2\frac{15}{120}$d.	2d.	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	—
Carmunnock Special Drainage District, ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Chryston and Muirhead Special Scavenging District, ...	$1\frac{105}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	$1\frac{105}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.
Lambhill Special Lighting District, ...	2d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	2d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Linthouse do. do., ...	$\frac{75}{120}$d.	$\frac{75}{120}$d.	—	—	$\frac{75}{120}$d.	$\frac{75}{120}$d.	—	—
Middle Ward Water District—Public Rate,	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Domestic Rate,	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Millerston and Stepps Special Lighting District,	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
North Cadder Special Water District, ...	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Rutherglen Special Drainage District, ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{80}{120}$d.	$\frac{70}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{80}{120}$d.	$\frac{70}{120}$d.	—
Rutherglen Special Lighting District, ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Rutherglen Special Scavenging District,	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{45}{120}$d.	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{45}{120}$d.
Shettleston and Tollcross Special Lighting District, ...	$1\frac{45}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	$1\frac{45}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.
Shettleston and Tollcross Special Scavenging District, ...	$3\frac{15}{120}$d.	3d.	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	$3\frac{15}{120}$d.	3d.	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	—
South Cadder Special Water District, ...	$6\frac{90}{120}$d.	$6\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$6\frac{90}{120}$d.	$6\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—
South Lenzie Special Water District. ...	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	5d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	5d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Do. do. Drainage do., ...	$3\frac{60}{120}$d.	4d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	$3\frac{60}{120}$d.	4d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	2d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	2d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. Scavenging do., ...	$1\frac{75}{120}$d.	$1\frac{75}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{75}{120}$d.	$1\frac{75}{120}$d.	—	—
Stepps Special Drainage District, ...	4d.	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	4d.	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Do. Scavenging District, ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	First assessment.		$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	First assessment.	

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT

OF

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

TO

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 14th OCTOBER, 1909.

(WITH LOCAL ANNUAL BUDGET ANNEXED.)

THE COUNTY CLERK,
HAMILTON.

SALE OF FOOD AND

COUNTY OF

REPORT by the PUBLIC ANALYST upon the Articles analysed

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis.	
					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
119	April 7	County Council of Lanark	Uddingston, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
120	,, 7	Do.,	Cockhill, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
121	,, 7	Do.,	Muirpark Row,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
122	,, 7	Do.,	Cockhill, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
130	,, 16	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
131	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
132	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
133	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
134	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
135	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
136	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
137	,, 23	Do.,	Carluke, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
138	,, 23	Do.,	Ferniegair, ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
139	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Essence of Coffee and Chicory,	Do.,	... ...
140	,, 23	Do.,	Broomhouse,	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
142	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in milk fat 4 per cent.. ...
143	,, 23	Do.,	Tollcross, ...	Cream, ...	Genuine,	... ...
144	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
145	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
146	,, 26	Do.,	Shettleston, ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
147	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
148	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Contained 93 per cent. of fatty matter not derived from milk,
149	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
155	May 5	Do.,	Shotts, ...	Lard, ...	Do.,	... ...
156	,, 5	Do.,	Do., ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
160	,, 6	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
162	,, 6	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
163	,, 6	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
164	,, 6	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

DRUGS ACTS, 1875 to 1899.

LANARK.

by him during the Quarter ending 30th JUNE, 1909.

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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165	May 6	County Council of Lanark.	Mossend, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
166	,, 6	Do.	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
167	,, 11	Do.,	Tollcross, ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
168	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... .
169	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
170	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
172	,, 14	Do.,	Broomhouse,	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
173	,, 14	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
174	,, 14	Do.,	Tollcross, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
175	,, 14	Do.	Do.. ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
176	,, 14	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
177	,, 14	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
178	,, 14	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
179	,, 21	Do.,	Carnwath, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
180	,, 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
181	,, 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Fresh Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
182	,, 28	Do.,	Glenboig, ...	Golden Syrup, ...	Do.,	... ...
183	,, 28	Do.,	Do., ..	Ground Coffee, ...	Do.,	... ...
197	June 2	Do.,	Shotts, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
198	,, 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	.. ..
199	,, 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
200	,, 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
201	,, 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
202	,, 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
203	,, 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
204	,, 3	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
205	,, 3	Do.,	Netherburn, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
206	,, 3	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
207	,, 3	Do.,	Dalserf, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
208	,, 3	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
209	,, 3	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
210	,, 3	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
211	,, 4	Do.,	Bothwell, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in milk solids other than fat 10 per cent.,
212	,, 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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213	June 4	County Council of Lanark.	Bothwell, ...	Sweet-Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
214	,, 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
215	,, 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
216	,, 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
218	,, 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
219	,, 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
220	,, 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in milk solids other than fat 3 per cent.,
221	,, 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Skimmed Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
222	,, 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Cream, ...	Do.,	... ...
223	,, 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in milk fat 5 per cent., ...
231	,, 11	Do.,	Millerston, ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
232	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
233	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
217	,, 16	Do.,	Uddingston, ...	Flour, ...	Do.,	... ...
234	,, 16	Do.,	Baillieston, ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
235	,, 16	Do.,	Omoa, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
236	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
237	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
238	,, 16	Do.,	Cleland, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
243	,, 24	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
244	,, 24	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
245	,, 24	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	.. ..
246	,, 24	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
247	,, 24	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
248	,, 24	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
249	,, 24	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
251	,, 29	Do.,	Shettleston, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
252	,, 29	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
253	,, 29	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
254	,, 29	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
255	,, 29	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
256	,, 29	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

Total number of samples analysed at the instance of the Local Authority or their Officer during the Quarter, ... 95
Total number of same found to be adulterated, ... 5
Samples submitted by private individuals, in terms of Section 12 of the above Act, ... —

13th July, 1909.

ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
£0 10 0						
0 10 0						
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0 10 0	... ...	...	...	...	...	Considered unadvisable to take proceedings.
0 10 0						
0 10 0						
0 10 0	... ...	...	...	...	...	Considered unadvisable to take proceedings.
0 10 0						
0 10 0						
0 10 0						
0 10 0						
0 10 0	Contained 0·5 parts of nitrogen as nitrites per million parts of flour					
0 10 0						
0 10 0						
0 10 0						
0 10 0						
0 10 0						
0 10 0

TEST SAMPLES SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS.

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Article submitted for Analysis.	4. Result of Analysis.		5 Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	6. Observations of Analyst.
			Article genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.		
141	April 23	Skim Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...	£0 10 0	
157	May 5	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
158	„ 5	Irish Flour, ...	...	Contained ·55 parts per million of nitrogen as nitrites,	0 10 0	
159	„ 5	English Flour,...	...	Contained ·70 parts per million of nitrogen as nitrites,	0 10 0	
171	„ 11	Butter, ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
192	June 2	Do., ...	Do.,	.. ..	0 10 0	
193	„ 2	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
194	„ 2	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
239	„ 24	Cheese, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	Made from whole milk.
240	„ 24	Coffee, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
250	„ 24	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
257	„ 29	Rice (Carolina),	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	Contained ·37 per cent. of extraneous mineral matter.
258	„ 29	Rice (Patna), ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	Contained ·50 per cent. of extraneous mineral matter.

13th July, 1909.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

COUNTY

FERTILISERS AND FEED

Report to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries by the Official

Name of Fertiliser or Feeding Stuff.	Date of Receipt of Sample.	Name and Address of Seller (if known).	Name and Address of Person submitting Sample.
Compound Fertiliser, ...	April 10th,	Not known,	Charles M'Ara, Official Sampler,
Kainit, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Superphosphates, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Nitrate of Soda, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Grain Manures, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Potato Manure, ...	April 19th,	Do.,	Do.,
Nitrate of Soda, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Superphosphate, ...	April 28th,	Do.,	Do.,
Do., ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Basic Slag, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Nitrate of Soda, ...	May 3rd,	Do.,	Do.,
Sulphate of Ammonia, ...	May 11th,	Do.,	Do.,
Superphosphates, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Potash, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Basic Slag, ...	May 17th	Do.,	Do.,
Superphosphates, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Turnip Manure, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,

* If the sample is in accordance with the statements in the invoice, circular, or advertisement, the word "satisfactory" should be entered in this column.

If a special report on the sample has been made to the Board in accordance with Article 4 of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs (General) Regulations of 1906, the words "Special Report" should be entered in this column.

If the sample is not in accordance with the statements in the invoice, circular, or advertisement, and no special report has been made, particulars should be given in this column as to any deficiencies below guarantee, together with information showing the extent to which the purchaser is prejudiced.

NOTE.—If no samples have been analysed the Returns should be forwarded marked "nil" in order that the Board's Records may be complete.

OF LANARK.

ING STUFFS ACT, 1906.

Agricultural Analyst for the Quarter ending 30th June, 1909.

* REMARKS.

Informal Sample—Analysis satisfactory.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Official Sample—Analysis satisfactory.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. Not satisfactory—3·4 °/₀ deficient.

Do. Satisfactory.

Total Number of Samples—Satisfactory, 16. Unsatisfactory, 1.

Signature of Agricultural Analyst, R. R. TATLOCK.

Date, 1st September, 1909.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

BY

DISTRICT ANALYST

UNDER

FERTILISERS AND FEEDING STUFFS ACT, 1906,

FOR THE

QUARTER ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1909,

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 14th October, 1909.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

VALUATION COMMITTEES.

At LANARK, and within the County Hall, there, upon Thursday, 13th May, 1909, being a Joint Meeting of the Valuation Committees of the Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards of the County of Lanark. 13th May, 1909.

Present—

Of the Committee of the Upper Ward—

John Allison.	Colonel Logan.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
James H. Fenton.	Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.	Alexander Pillans.

John D. Scott.

Of the Committee of the Middle Ward—

William L. Dyer.	James Logan.
George Fraser.	A. D. Mack.
Richard Gibb.	William Sym.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.

Of the Committee of the Lower Ward—

James Anderson.	Walter J. Grant.
James R. Auld.	James Stewart.
Walter C. B. Christie.	John Stewart.
William Davie.	James Young.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, Convener of the County, in the chair. *Chairman.*

The members of the committee present—each only acting and voting in his committee—having proceeded to appoint a chairman of their committee, the following were appointed, viz.:—for the Upper Ward, Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell; for the Middle Ward, Colonel Buchanan; and for the Lower Ward, Mr. James Stewart. *Chairmen of committees.*

The following dates and places were fixed for hearing and disposing of appeals and complaints against the valuation of the Assessors for the year 1909-1910, viz.:— *Dates of Appeal Courts.*

For the Upper Ward—At Lanark, and within the County Hall, on Monday, 13th September, at 12 o'clock noon.

For the Middle Ward—At Hamilton, and within the Sheriff Court Buildings, on Tuesday, 14th September, at 10 o'clock, and on Thursday, 16th September, at 12 o'clock noon.

For the Lower Ward—At Glasgow, and within the Sheriff's Appeal Court Room, Wilson Street, on Friday, 17th September, at 12 o'clock noon.

13th September, 1909. At LANARK, and within the County Hall, there, on Monday, the 13th day of September, 1909, being a Meeting of the Valuation Committee of the Upper Ward of the County of Lanark.

Upper Ward.

Present—

JOHN ALLISON.
J. P. BAIRD.
C. J. EDMONDSTOUNE CRANSTOUN.
JAMES H. FENTON.
NATHANIEL D. I. O. GOLD.
WALTER LINDSAY.
Colonel LOGAN.
Colonel DENNISTOUN MITCHELL.
Rev. CHRISTOPHER M'KUNE.
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Chairman. Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice. The Clerk produced and read the public notice of the meeting as given in the *Scotsman*, *Glasgow Herald*, *Lanarkshire*, *Hamilton Advertiser*, and *Govan Press* newspapers, and also a copy of the notice convening the meeting.

Appeals. The several appeals against the valuations of lands and heritages in the Upper Ward of the County for the current year were taken in order and called, and the appellants or their agents having been heard, so far as appearances were made, the committee gave their decisions therein, as the same are set forth in the list of appeals which is signed by the chairman as relative hereto.

In cases where no appearances were made the appeals were dismissed.

Valuation Roll. The meeting granted authority to the County Clerk, in terms of Section 12 of the Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act, 1854, to authenticate the Valuation Roll for the current year by adhibiting his signature thereto.

14th September 1909. At HAMILTON, and within the Sheriff Court Buildings, there, on Tuesday, the 14th day of September, 1909, being a Meeting of the Valuation Committee of the Middle Ward District of the County of Lanark.

Middle Ward.

Present—

D. J. BLACK.
Colonel A. L. H. BUCHANAN.
WILLIAM L. DYER.
GEORGE FRASER.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
A. D. MACK.
STUART SPENCE.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

Chairman. Colonel Buchanan, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice. The Clerk produced and read the public notice of the meeting as given in the *Scotsman*, *Glasgow Herald*, *Lanarkshire*, *Hamilton Advertiser*, and *Govan Press* newspapers, and also a copy of the notice convening the meeting.

Appeals. The several appeals against the valuations of lands and heritages in the Middle Ward of the County were laid upon the table, and the same having been taken in order and called, and the appellants or their agents having been heard, so far as appearances were made, the committee gave their decisions therein, as the same are detailed in the list of appeals which is signed by the chairman as relative hereto.

In cases where no appearances were made the appeals were dismissed.

The appeal of Charles M'Mullen against the valuation of public-house, 381 Main Street, Bellshill, was continued to Thursday, 16th instant.

The meeting thereafter adjourned to Thursday, 16th instant.

At HAMILTON, and within the Sheriff Court Buildings, there, upon Thursday, the 16th day of September, 1909, being an Adjourned Meeting of the Valuation Committee of the Middle Ward District of the County of Lanark. 16th September, 1909.

Middle Ward.

Present—

D. J. Black.
William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
Richard Gibb.
Robert Lambie.
A. D. Mack.
Stuart Spence.
William Templeton.

Mr. Robert Lambie, in the absence of Colonel Buchanan, chairman of the committee, presided. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting. *Notice.*

The several appeals against the valuation of lands and heritages in the Middle Ward District, so far as not disposed of at last meeting, were taken in order and called, and the appellants or their agents having been heard, so far as appearances were made, the committee gave their decisions therein, as the same are detailed in the list of appeals which is signed by the chairman as relative hereto. *Appeals.*

In cases where no appearances were made the appeals were dismissed.

The agents for the appellants in the following cases declared themselves dissatisfied with the decision of the committee, and craved that a case should be stated specially and signed for submission to the Lands Valuation Judges, viz.:— *Case asked.*

Parish of East Kilbride.

House, "Brooksby," Busby—John Macfarlane, 180 Kelvinhaugh Street, Glasgow—Empty—£75.

Parish of New Monkland.

Brickworks, Rawyards—Alexander Frew & Coy., proprietors—£135.

The meeting granted authority to the County Clerk, in terms of Section 12 of the Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act, 1854, to authenticate the Valuation Roll for the current year by adhibiting his signature thereto. *Valuation Roll.*

At GLASGOW, and within the Sheriff's Appeal Court Room, 40 Wilson Street, there, upon Friday, the 17th day of September, 1909, being a Meeting of the Valuation Committee for the Lower Ward District of the County of Lanark. 17th September, 1909.

Lower Ward.

Present—

John Adam.
James R. Auld.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
Walter J. Grant.
Alexander M'William.
John Stewart.
James Young.
David Watson.

In the absence of Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, Mr. Walter C. B. Christie was appointed chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

The Clerk produced and read the public notice of the meeting as given in the *Scotsman*, *Glasgow Herald*, *Lanarkshire*, *Hamilton Advertiser*, and *Govan Press* newspapers, and also a copy of the notice convening the meeting. *Notice.*

The several appeals against the valuations of lands and heritages in the Lower Ward of the County were laid upon the table, and the same have been taken in order and called, and the appellants or their agents having been heard, so far as appearances were made, the committee gave their decisions therein, as the same are detailed in the list of appeals which is signed by the chairman as relative hereto. *Appeals.*

In cases where no appearances were made the appeals were dismissed.

In the following cases the appellants or their agents declared themselves dissatisfied with the decision of the committee. and craved that a case should be stated specially, and signed. for submission to the Lands' Valuation Judges.

BURGH OF PARTICK—WARD III.

Improvements—2 Douglas Street and 307 Dumbarton Road—Wm. A. Kirkwood, proprietor—£15.

PARISH OF GLASGOW.

Spirit Shop, 281 Main Street, Shettleston—M. Chassels, M. Chassels, Jr.—£105.
House, 2 Muiryfauld Drive, Tollcross—G. R. Watson—Empty—£47 10s.
House, 1 Muiryfauld Drive, Tollcross—G. R. Watson—Self—£47 10s.

The appeal of the Clyde Trustees against the following entries:—

Prince's Dock Quays, &c.	Clyde Trustees	Proprietors	£55,378
Plantation Quays	do.	do.	13,293
Mavisbank Quays, &c.	do.	do.	4,595
Quays, Graving Docks	do.	do.	1,793
Graving Docks	do.	do.	15,823
Shieldhall Wharf	do.	do.	2,571
Merklands Quay	do.	do.	1,288
Harbour Ferries, Govan	do.	do.	533

and the complaint by the Provost, Magistrates, and Councillors of the Burgh of Govan against the first four entries appealed against by the Clyde Trustees, were continued of consent to Thursday, 30th current, at 10.30 a.m.

Valuation Roll.

The meeting granted authority to the County Clerk, in terms of Section 12 of the Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act, 1854, to authenticate the Valuation Roll for the current year by adhibiting his signature thereto.

30th September, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Thursday, the 30th day of September. 1909, being an Adjourned Meeting of the Valuation Committee of the Lower Ward District of the County of Lanark.

Lower Ward.

Present—

JAMES R. AULD.
WALTER C B. CHRISTIE.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
JOHN M'FEAT.
ALEXANDER M'WILLIAM.
JAMES STEWART.
JOHN STEWART.
JAMES YOUNG.
DAVID WATSON.

Chairman.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting.

Appeal and complaint.

The Clerk submitted the appeal by the Clyde Trustees and complaint by the Provost, Magistrates, and Councillors of the Burgh of Govan, and there appeared, as representing the Clyde Trustees—Mr. William Johnston, of Messrs. Wright, Johnston, & Mackenzie, Writers, Glasgow; representing the Burgh of Govan—Mr. M. P. Fraser, Advocate, Edinburgh, and Mr. J. A. Houston, Town-Clerk, Govan; and representing the Assessor—Mr. William Dunbar, Advocate, Edinburgh.

Proof having been led for the appellants, complainers, and Assessor, and the agent for the appellants, and counsel for the complainers, and Assessor, having been heard, and the committee having considered the Proof and Productions and the whole case, gave their decision therein as the same is detailed in the list of appeals which is signed by the chairman as relative hereto.

Case asked.

The agent for the appellants, and counsel for the complainers, and Assessor, respectively declared themselves dissatisfied with the decision of the committee, and craved that a case should be stated specially, and signed for submission to the Lands Valuation Judges.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 19th May, 1909, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 19th May, 1909.

Present—

John Adam.	Robert Lambie
David J. Black.	A. D. Mack.
Walter C. B. Christie.	William Neilson.
James H. Fenton.	William Speirs.
Thomas Fulton.	John D. Scott.
Alexander Hamilton.	James Tonner.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Chairman.

In the absence of Mr. Thomas F. Wilson, chairman of the committee, Mr. Speirs was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 24th March, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting.

Monthly report by County Medical Officer.

There was submitted to the meeting a report by the County Medical Officer, under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts and the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, for the month of March, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

Rivers Pollution.—Burgh of Hamilton.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk stated that, as the Town Council of Hamilton had meantime promoted a Provisional Order in which they sought power to utilise, as a site for purification works, a part of the common green, he had not thought it advisable to serve upon them a notice requiring them to take immediate steps to prevent pollution of the River Clyde by sewage from their burgh.

The meeting approved of the Clerk's action, and agreed that a further communication be addressed to the Town Council of Hamilton informing them of the reasons which had weighed with the County Council in delaying the institution of proceedings, but stating that, in the event of the Town Council failing to take, as soon as possible, practical steps to prevent pollution, either in pursuance of the powers sought for under the proposed Provisional Order, or in the event of their failing to obtain such powers, the County Council would have no alternative but to raise an action in Court.

Rivers Pollution.—Drainage districts.

With regard to pollutions arising from drainage districts within the jurisdiction of District Committees within the county, the Clerk was instructed to communicate again with the District Committees, calling attention to the importance and urgency of the question, and requesting the District Committees to furnish this committee with full and detailed information as to the progress made to date with the laying down of works for the prevention of pollution in their respective districts.

Pollution of North Calder Water.—Mossend Steel Works.

With reference to the pollution of the Shirrel Burn and the North Calder Water, caused by ammoniacal liquor from Mossend Steel Works, the Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting these works had been visited by members of the Royal Commission on Sewage Disposal, and that he had delayed making application to the Secretary for Scotland for his consent to proceedings being taken in this case in the hope that the visit of the Royal Commission might have good effect. He stated, however, that so far there had been no indication that satisfactory measures were being taken to stop the pollution. In the circumstances the meeting instructed the Clerk to make application to the Secretary for Scotland for his consent to the institution of proceedings under the Act.

Rivers pollution.—Collieries, &c.

The Clerk reported that since the date of last meeting he had been in communication with the following proprietors of collieries with regard to pollutions arising from coal dross washing operations, viz. :—

(1) Shotts Iron Company, regarding Hartwoodhill Colliery; and

(2) Auchinlea Coal Company, regarding Hownuir Colliery;

and that he had received from the latter Company a satisfactory reply.

The Clerk was instructed to communicate with the former Company again, should the pollution still continue or recur.

The Sale of Food and Drugs.—Prosecution.

The Clerk reported that, as regards the administration of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, Andrew Clark, Irish produce merchant, Bellshill, had since last meeting been convicted and fined £8 for having sold as butter an article which was certified to be not of the nature, quality, or substance of butter.

Sale of Food and Drugs.—Alleged offence by James Houston, Shettleston.

The Clerk laid before the meeting information which he had received from the County Medical Officer as to an offence alleged to have been committed by Mr. James Houston, 596 Main Street, Shettleston, in respect of selling as butter an article which had been certified to be not of the nature, substance, or quality of butter, and also in respect of the want of proper labelling.

The Clerk having stated to the meeting the whole facts of the case, Mr. John D. Scott moved that proceedings be not taken, which was seconded by Mr. David J. Black. Mr. Fenton moved, by way of amendment, that proceedings be taken in the case, which was seconded by Mr. Walter C. B. Christie.

On a vote being taken by a show of hands, a majority voted in favour of the motion, which was accordingly declared carried.

Medical examination and supervision of school children. — Proposed appointment of Dr. Wilson to inaugurate scheme and to supervise the work in future.

Under reference to the remit from the County Council in regard to the proposed appointment of Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer, by the Committee on Secondary Education for the County, to inaugurate a scheme for the medical examination and supervision of school children, and to supervise the work in future, the Clerk stated that he had sent to each member of the committee a memorandum which had been prepared by the Secondary Education Committee, setting forth the outlines of the scheme proposed.

The meeting, after discussion, and having heard explanations by the Clerk as to the duties which Dr. Wilson would probably be called upon to perform, and the relation of such duties to those presently discharged by him as Medical Officer of Health for the County, unanimously agreed, as authorised by the County Council, to give the Council's consent to the appointment of Dr. Wilson, should it ultimately be resolved to offer the appointment to him.

Report by delegates of British Government to International Congress on Tuberculosis.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the report by the delegates of the British Government to the International Congress on Tuberculosis, which was held at Washington from 21st September to 3rd October, 1908, and he stated that he had sent a print of the report to each member of the committee.

Appointment of Dr. M'Donald as second assistant to County Medical Officer.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the County Medical Officer stating that, after consulting the Middle Ward Hospital Committee, who had offered no objection to Dr. John Macdonald, their hospital physician at Motherwell Hospital, being appointed to act as second assistant to the County Medical Officer, he had offered the appointment

to Dr. Macdonald, who had accepted it on the terms and conditions agreed upon, viz. :— the salary to be at the rate of £170 per annum, with travelling expenses; the engagement to be terminable on one month's notice on either side; his services to be available in the several districts of the county; and that he shall act under the County Medical Officer, who shall determine the duties to be performed by him. The meeting approved.

Evidence given by Dr. Wilson before Royal Commission on Whisky.

The Clerk reported that, as authorised by the committee, Dr. Wilson had appeared before the Royal Commission on Whisky on 6th April last, and had submitted evidence on the question of brandy and of the steps taken by this County Council in the matter.

Licences to perform experiments on living animals.

The Clerk laid before the meeting communications from the Home Office, of dates 24th April and 5th May, intimating that the licence to perform experiments on living animals within the County Laboratory at Hamilton, held by Dr. Hume Patterson, had been renewed, and that a licence had also been granted to Dr. Ernest Watt, both licences being granted for a period to 28th February, 1910.

Housing condition of miners in the county.—Proposal by Dr. Wilson to issue report on the subject.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the County Medical Officer, of date 15th April, transmitting a copy of a communication from the Local Government Board asking for information as to the housing condition of miners in this county, and stating that, as he considered the question one of great importance, and as there was a very large amount of material in the Public Health Department, which, he thought, would be of interest, not only to the Local Government Board, but to all who may be concerned with the administrative and legislative procedure for improving the housing conditions of the working classes, he proposed to furnish the information to the Board, and also to submit it at a later date in the form of a report to the District Committees. The meeting approved of the action proposed to be taken by Dr. Wilson.

2nd June, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 2nd June, 1909, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

J. P. Baird.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Colonel Buchanan.	William Neilson.
Thomas G. Cowan.	James Prentice.
James H. Fenton.	John D. Scott.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Speirs.
Robert Lambie.	James Tonner.
A. D. Mack.	James C. Hope Vere.

Thomas F. Wilson.

Chairman.

Mr. Thomas F. Wilson, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 19th May, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed

Communication from National Association for the Prevention of Consumption, and inviting appointment of delegates to attend conference.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication from the Honorary Secretary of the National Association for the Prevention of Consumption and other forms of Tuberculosis, inviting this County Council to appoint delegates to attend the conference to be held in London on June 8th, 9th, and 10th current. The meeting, after con-

sideration, appointed the following members of the committee to attend as delegates from this county, viz.:—

Thomas F. Wilson;
J. P. Baird, whom failing, John D. Scott;
Walter C. B. Christie, whom failing, William Speirs;

together with the County Clerk and the County Medical Officer.

Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, which has been introduced into the House of Lords by Lord Pentland, the Secretary for Scotland.

Appointment of sub-committee.

The Clerk having referred to the chief provisions of the Bill, as well as to the provisions of the Tuberculosis Order recently issued by the Board of Agriculture, the meeting appointed the following sub-committee to consider the Bill and Order, along with sub-committees of the Parliamentary Bills and Executive Committees, viz.:—

J. P. Baird.
Thomas Fulton.
Alexander Hamilton.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
John D. Scott,
Thomas F. Wilson.

Monthly report by County Medical Officer.

There was submitted to the meeting the monthly report by the County Medical Officer for April relating to proceedings under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts and the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK

INEBRIATES COMMITTEE.

At HAIRMYRES, and within the Reformatory, there, upon Thursday, 20th May, 1909. being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark under the Inebriates Acts. 20th May, 1909.

Present—

WILLIAM BARR.
JAMES H. FENTON.
WALTER J. GRANT.
GEORGE GREEN.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON.
THOMAS F. WILSON.

Attending—

Miss DYKES, Lady Superintendent.

Mr. William Barr, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 14th April, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk reported that Isabella Anderson or M'Cracken escaped from the Reformatory on 12th May, and that she had, the same night, been apprehended in Maryhill in a state of intoxication, brought to Hamilton, and sentenced to 10 days' imprisonment. *Escape of Isabella Anderson or M'Cracken.*

With regard to the case of Elizabeth Robertson or Potts, the Clerk stated that having received a satisfactory report from the Lady Superintendent that Mrs. Potts' behaviour continued to be satisfactory, he had made a recommendation to the Secretary for Scotland for a licence to cover the remaining period of her term of detention, and of this the meeting approved. *Licence for Elizabeth Robertson or Potts.*

The meeting agreed that new estimates be taken for a henhouse or hen-run of somewhat smaller dimensions than that at first proposed, and that it be remitted to the Chairman and Mr. Fenton to consider the offers when received, with powers to accept the one which they considered the most satisfactory. *Estimates for henhouse.*

With regard to the water supply to the reformatory, the chairman submitted a letter which he had received from Mr. Balmer, the Water Superintendent, which was in the following terms, viz. :— *Water supply to Reformatory.—Letter from Water Superintendent.*

"Water Superintendent's Office,
"District Offices,
"Hamilton, 19th May, 1909.

"DEAR SIR,

"HAIRMYRES HOME.

"With reference to complaint as to alleged want of pressure at this home, I sent my Inspector out yesterday to make an examination and report. He

reports to me this morning that, after examining the service piping, fittings, &c., he found no trace of waste, and a fair supply up and down stairs, and the pressure at 12 noon was 25 feet. Before leaving he increased the pressure to 55 feet, which gave a splendid supply up and down stairs. The pressure will remain at this, so that all cause for further complaint should be removed.

"Yours faithfully,

(Signed) "W. L. BALMER.

"William Barr, Esq., C.C.,
"The Lodge,
"East Kilbride."

Inspection of buildings and grounds.

The members of the committee thereafter inspected the buildings and grounds.

List of patients in Reformatory.

The Clerk submitted the following list of patients who were presently in the Reformatory, and those who were out on licence, viz. :—

Reg. No.		Sentence expires on
5	Elizabeth Wilson or Adam, ...	25th September, 1909.
7	Annie Leggat or Campbell, ...	22nd December, 1909.
9	Mary M'Auslan, ...	15th March, 1910.
13	Isabella Anderson or M'Cracken (presently in prison), ...	18th December, 1910.
14	Mary Ann M'Culloch, ...	17th March, 1911.

	On Licence.	Date of Licence.
8	Grace Loudon or Barr, ...	19th March.
	(Sentence expires 5th January, 1910.)	
12	Elizabeth Robertson or Potts, ...	16th April.
	(Sentence expires 7th January, 1910.)	

6th October, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 6th October, 1909, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed under the Inebriates Acts.

Present—

William Barr.	Walter J. Grant.
John P. Campbell.	George Green.
Walter C. B. Christie.	William Neilson.
James H. Fenton.	John D. Scott.

Thomas F. Wilson.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.
Miss Dykes, Lady Superintendent.

Chairman.

Mr. William Barr, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 20th May last, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Case of Annie Leggat or Campbell.

The Clerk stated that Annie Leggat or Campbell had escaped from the Reformatory on 30th August last, and had not yet been captured; that it was believed she was staying somewhere in Anderston, Glasgow, and that the police were continuing their investigations.

Elizabeth Wilson or Adam.

The Clerk stated that the sentence in the case of Elizabeth Wilson or Adam expired on 25th ultimo, and that she had been discharged on that date.

Grace Louaon or Barr.

With regard to Grace Loudon or Barr, who had been granted a licence to reside with her son-in-law, William Sneddon, Armadale, the Clerk stated that she had been removed to the Royal Infirmary, where she had undergone an operation, that when she came out of the infirmary the Lady Superintendent had thought it desirable to have her removed back to the Reformatory, in the hope that she might more speedily recover under her care, but that she had since gone back to her son-in-law, with whom she was now residing.

Hen-house.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the chairman reported that he had accepted the offer of Mr. Hugh Forsyth for the erection of a hen-house for the sum of £8 5s. 9d., and that the work had since been completed.

Present position of Reformatory.

Thereafter a general discussion took place with regard to the present position of the Reformatory, and members of the committee having expressed their views, the matter was allowed to drop.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

26th May, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 26th May, 1909, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

Thos. G. Cowan.	William Neilson.
Thomas Davie.	James Prentice.
Joseph Halley.	Hugh Reid.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Sym.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.
Col. Dennistoun Mitchell.	David Wardley.

Attending—

Edmund Donald, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 28th April, which had been submitted to, and approved of by, the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting the reports of the Inspectors for the month ending 30th April, a summary of which (Appendix I.) had been sent to each member of the committee. *Inspectors' reports.*

The Clerk submitted a note of the salaries of the Inspectors and the Inspectors' Assistants, for the month ending 15th proximo, payment of which was authorised by the committee, subject to being passed by the Finance Committee, as follows, viz. :— *Inspectors' salaries.*

For the month ending 15th June—

Inspectors' Salaries.					
Chief Inspector, ...	£17	10	0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	12	1	8		
,, Mitchell, ...	12	1	8		
,, Paterson, ...	10	0	0		
				£51	13	4
Inspectors' Assistants' Wages.					
Chief Inspector, ...	£8	0	0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	7	10	0		
,, Mitchell, ...	6	10	0		
,, Paterson, ...	6	10	0		
				28	10	0
				£80	3	4

Inspectors' expenses.

The meeting also passed for payment the following sums in respect of Inspectors' expenses, viz. :—

Inspectors' Expenses.			
Chief Inspector, ...	£2 0 2		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	1 17 7		
,, Mitchell, ...	2 7 5		
,, Paterson, ...	1 19 3		
		£8 4 5	
Accounts.			
J. & A. Law—adjusting standard weights, ...	£5 12 6		
James Donaldson—carting ,, ...	6 9 0		
Wm. Anderson— ,, ,, ...	4 1 0		
Wm. Bogle— ,, ,, ...	5 10 0		
		£21 12 6	
		£29 16 11	

Report of deputation who attended general meeting of Incorporated Society of Inspectors of Weights and Measures.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a report (Appendix II.) by Mr. Templeton and Mr. Andrew Mitchell of the General Meeting of the Incorporated Society of Inspectors of Weights and Measures, held in London, on 6th, 7th, and 8th ultimo.

Supplementary statement by Mr. Templeton.

Mr. Templeton, by way of supplementing the report, stated that, on the invitation of representatives from local authorities in France, he had, along with others, visited Paris, and received information as to the inspection of weights and measures there, and inspected specimens of different patterns of measures and weighing machines, and he stated that he had been much impressed with the elaborate system in operation in that country.

Salaries of Inspectors Chrystal and Mitchell.

Under reference to the minutes of the committee, of date 24th March, the meeting agreed that the increases of salaries of Inspectors Chrystal and Mitchell should take effect as from and after 15th April last.

Communication from Board of Trade regarding Sale of Bread Act.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a letter from the Board of Trade, which was in the following terms, viz :—

"Board of Trade (Standards Department),
"Old Palace Yard, Westminster, S.W., 1st May, 1909.

"Sir,

"I am directed by the Board of Trade to state that they have had under consideration the question of the due enforcement of the statutory provisions with regard to the sale of bread by weight, as contained in the Sale of Bread Act, 1836, and the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892 (Section 427), and I am to suggest that it is desirable, more especially in the interests of the poorer classes, that every possible step should be taken by Local Authorities to ensure that the requirements of the law are observed.

"I am to add that the Board would be glad to receive any information which you may be able to furnish as to any steps taken in your district for the enforcement of the law in this matter.

"I am, &c.,

(Signed) "W. F. MARWOOD."

Clerk instructed to reply.

The meeting, after consideration, and having heard the opinion of the Clerk on the questions raised in the above communication, instructed him to reply that, with regard to the sale of bread by weight, the provisions of Sections 427 and 430 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, are being enforced within the burghs and police burghs in the county in which the Acts are administered by the County Council, but that, with respect to the area of the county outwith the burghs, only Section 430 is, by the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, made applicable in county areas.

He was further instructed to say that, while the County Council regret that Section 427 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, was omitted from the Local Government Act of last year, they had instructed their Inspectors of Weights and Measures to exercise the power of entry, &c., conferred by Section 430, and, further, to report any contraventions of the provisions of the Bread Act of 1836, with a view to their being enforced.

Results of examination and testing of patterns of weighing instruments.

The Clerk submitted a communication from the Board of Trade, of date 30th April last, transmitting copies of three notices giving the results of the examination and testing of certain patterns of weighing instruments, &c., in all of which the Board had issued certificates of approval.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH APRIL, 1909.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments	Weights	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	256	25	—	1	73	—	152	62	—	1	—	4
„ 2,	232	8	—	—	212	—	3	212	—	7	—	2
„ 3,	86	—	—	—	18	54	12	18	—	—	—	2
„ 4,	12	—	—	—	—	—	12	—	—	—	—	—

Outdoor Inspections.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	Correct.			Required Adjusting.			Unstamped.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	175	2,257	1,358	486	265	86	8	18	25	4	7
„ 2,	*141	147	—	—	127	—	—	17	—	—	3
„ 3,	*122	124	—	—	122	—	—	2	—	—	—
„ 4,	*120	123	—	—	96	—	—	27	—	—	—

*77, 74, and 92 of these were Collieries.

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
No. 1,	9 18 3½	0 9 5	10 7 8½
„ 2,	2 12 9	2 0 8	4 13 5
„ 3,	4 15 5	0 3 1	4 18 6
„ 4,	5 8 2	—	5 8 2
Received	from Burgh	of Rutherglen,	12 0 0
		Total,	37 7 9½

Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.

No. 1 District.—Made-up articles weighed in 20 places of business.

Reported for Prosecution.

William Nelson, Burnhead Quarry, unjust weighing machine.
James Jack, Kirk Style Quarry, do.
John Crawford, Dalmacoulter Quarry, do.

These Cases are pending.

26th May, 1909.

APPENDIX II.

REPORT ON THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE INCORPORATED SOCIETY OF INSPECTORS OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, HELD IN LONDON ON THE 6TH, 7TH, AND 8TH MAY, 1909.

"GENTLEMEN,

"We beg to submit report on the above meetings.

"Punctually at eleven o'clock on Thursday, Major P. A. MacMahon, F.R.S. (Deputy Warden of the Standards), read a paper on the Weights and Measures Service in France. In France the Weights and Measures Acts are administered by the Civil Service of the Government. The country is divided into seven sections, and those seven sections are divided into sub-sections to suit local requirements. The inspectors are chosen from the army and navy officers. Unfortunately, Major MacMahon was called away before he had got well started to the paper. This was a great loss to us Scotchmen, as the gentleman who finished it was not so good a reader, and, consequently, we lost a great deal of it. We have arranged to get a copy of the paper, which will be supplied in the course of a few weeks.

"Before Major MacMahon left, he gave a hearty invitation to all to go with him on Saturday to France, to see for themselves everything connected with the service. The officials had arranged to show and explain everything on Monday. Mr. Templeton decided to go.

"At one o'clock Sir R. Melvill Beachcroft (Chairman of the London County Council) held a reception in the Hotel Metropole. This was followed by a luncheon, at which an opportunity was afforded of making the acquaintance of other representatives from every part of the country. It was very instructive to learn how the work was being done in other districts.

"The remainder of the day was spent in examining the exhibits of weighing instruments, measures of length and capacity, and weights of the various denominations. It was a very fine show of all the latest appliances. Most of the standards were for various local authorities. The weighing instruments for No. 4 District Lanark County were on view. We heard several inspectors commenting very favourably on them. To an inspector the exhibition is very beneficial and instructive. He sees appliances that he has no opportunity of seeing in his usual round of duties. At an exhibition of this kind, where various makers are exhibiting, an inspector can learn a great deal, thereby benefiting his local authority.

"On Friday forenoon, at 11 o'clock, the chair was taken by Ernest Gardner, Esq., J.P., M.P., who introduced E. G. Haygarth Brown, Esq., of the Board of Agriculture. This gentleman read an interesting paper on the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906. The paper dealt with the administration of the Act, regulation of methods of sale, provisions dealing with fraud, difficulty of detecting frauds in the fertilizers and feeding stuffs' trades, collection of samples, informal samples, samples from shops, statutory powers of official samplers, and institution of prosecutions.

"Owing to the short time at Mr. Brown's disposal he only touched on the above points. He wished a discussion from those present who administer the Act. A large number joined in a discussion on the difficulties that at present arise in taking samples. Mr. Brown promised to do what he could to meet the desires expressed by the speakers.

"In the afternoon a very interesting paper on the Bread Acts was read by Mr. H. Van Tromp. The different points dealt with were:—General law as to bread; by weight; definition of "by weight"; is the Act a dead letter in some districts?; difficulties met with in carrying out the Act; Scotch and English law; comparison and results.

"Mr. Van Tromp, who gave several personal experiences in connection with the Bread Act, dealt with the difficulty he experienced in working it. In England bread requires to be sold by weight, consequently the Act is very difficult to administer.

"The discussion which followed brought out that in a large number of districts the Act is practically a dead letter. The practice in Scotland of having the weight impressed on the bread was very favourably commented upon by all who took part in the discussion. Sir R. Melvill Beachcroft, in closing the discussion, said that the London County Council intended to get the Act altered so that the weight should be impressed on the bread, thus lessening the difficulty in administering the Act.

"On Saturday forenoon Mr. Mitchell attended at the works of the British Oxygen Company, Westminster, to see a new system of weight-adjusting by means of the blow pipe. It was a very interesting exhibition. The apparatus is not portable enough to be of any real benefit to any of the Lanarkshire districts.

"We beg to tender our sincere thanks to the Weights and Measures Committee for so considerately allowing us to be their representatives at their annual meeting. To us it has been a great pleasure and profit to see the latest appliances for carrying out the Weights and Measures Acts, to meet with representatives from almost every district of the country, and to hear how the Act is administered by them.

"In placing these few notes before you we find a great difficulty in expressing the good that we have derived from this meeting.

"Your obedient Servants,

"WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
"ANDREW MITCHELL."

23rd June, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there. upon Wednesday, 23rd June, 1909, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

Thomas G. Cowan.	Robert Lambie.
William Davie.	Col. Dennistoun Mitchell.
Alexander Fletcher.	William Neilson.
Thomas Fulton.	William Sym.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Templeton.

James Tonner.

Attending—

Edmund Donald, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Chairman. Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 26th May, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Reports of inspectors for May. The Clerk laid before the meeting the reports of the inspectors for the month ending 31st May, a summary of which (Appendix I.) had been sent to each member of the committee.

23rd June, 1909. 19

The Clerk submitted a note of the inspectors' salaries and of the inspectors' assistants, for the month ending 15th proximo, payment of which was authorised by the committee, subject to being passed by the Finance Committee, as follows, viz.:— *Salaries of inspectors, &c.*

Inspectors' Salaries—			
Chief Inspector, ...	£17	10	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	13	6	8
Do. Mitchell, ...	13	6	8
Do. Paterson, ...	10	0	0
		£54	3 4
Inspectors' Assistants' Wages—			
Chief Inspector, ...	£6	8	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6	0	0
Do. Mitchell, ...	5	4	0
Do. Paterson, ...	5	4	0
		£22	16 0
		£76	19 4

The meeting also passed for payment the following sums in respect of inspectors' expenses, viz.:— *Expenses of Inspectors, &c*

Inspectors' Expenses—			
Chief Inspector, ...	£1	17	1
Inspector Chrystal, ...	0	8	0
Do. Mitchell, ...	6	12	3
Do. Paterson, ...	4	1	0
		£12	18 4
Accounts—			
J. Calder & Co. (stationery), ...	£2	14	6
E. Lawrie (carting standard weights, &c.), ...	13	19	0
The Incorporated Society of Inspectors of Weights and Measures—Copy of "The Construction of the Balance,"	1	1	0
		£17	14 6
		£30	12 10

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, it was agreed that Mr. Templeton be paid in addition to his expenses attending the meeting of the Incorporated Society of Weights and Measures in London, his travelling expenses to Paris and back in connection with the meeting, and the Clerk was instructed accordingly. *Conference of Incorporated Society of Inspectors of Weights and Measures.—Mr. Templeton's expenses to Paris.*

With reference to the account of Messrs. John Calder & Company for books, &c., the Clerk was instructed to consider whether the supply of these articles might not be brought under the contract for stationery which the Council at present have with Mr. Robert Anderson. *Account for supply of books, &c.*

There was submitted an account from Messrs. De Grave, Short, & Co., London, for the supply of beams, weights, &c., amounting to £58 9s. 9d., payment of which the meeting agreed to delay in view of a report by the Chief Inspector that the 14-inch and 10-inch beams were not satisfactory in respect that there was not sufficient clearance to slide the beams into position. The meeting remitted the Clerk to endeavour to arrange the matter with Messrs. De Grave, Short, & Co. *Supply of beams, and account from Messrs. De Grave, Short, & Co.*

The Chief Inspector, having submitted an application by Mr. John Reid, Mr. Chrystal's assistant, for an increase of wages, the meeting, on the motion of Mr. Fletcher, which was seconded by Mr. Hamilton, unanimously agreed that no increase be granted. *Application by John Reid for increase of wages. Increase refused.*

It was agreed that the next meeting of the committee should be held on 22nd September, and that in the interval any two members of the committee be authorised to examine and pass accounts for payment. *Next meeting.—Accounts.*

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st MAY, 1909.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., Submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1 ...	243	10	—	—	78	2	151	78	1	—	—	2
„ 2 ...	1,095	73	11	13	914	8	37	914	1	26	1	12
„ 3, ...	1,150	91	62	11	910	49	14	890	9	5	2	6
„ 4, ...	28	—	—	—	4	—	22	4	—	—	—	—

Outdoor Inspections.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., Examined.	Correct.			Required Adjusting.			Unstamped.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1, ...	192	3,719	2,423	787	427	36	7	15	10	5	9
No. 2, ...	49*	52	—	—	46	—	—	5	—	—	1
No. 4, ...	80*	143	48	1	80	4	—	10	—	—	—

* 28 and 36 of these were Collieries.

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
No. 1, ...	£10 0 6½	£0 11 10½	£10 12 5
„ 2, ...	8 11 7	6 10 7½	15 2 2½
„ 3, ...	5 8 9	7 6 6½	12 15 3½
„ 4, ...	8 3 8	0 1 0	8 4 8
			£46 14 7

Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.

No. 1 District.—Made-up articles weighed in 31 places of business.

The cases pending at date of last report have been disposed of as follows:—

William Nelson, Burnhead Quarry, fined 25s. or 7 days.
James Jack, Kirk Style Quarry, fined 30s. or 7 days.
John Crawford, Dalmacoulter Quarry, fined 25s. or 7 days.

22nd September, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 22nd September, 1909, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 22nd September, 1909.

Present—

JOHN P. CAMPBELL.
THOMAS G. COWAN.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
THOMAS FULTON.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM NEILSON.
JAMES PRENTICE.
HUGH REID.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
JAMES TONNER.

Attending—

EDMUND DONALD, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 23rd June, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting the reports of the inspectors for the months of June, July, and August, summaries of which (Appendix I., II., and III.) had been sent to each member of the committee. *Inspectors' reports.*

The Clerk submitted a note of the salaries of the inspectors and of the wages of the inspectors' assistants and inspectors' expenses for the months of July and August, which had been authorised and paid since the date of last meeting, viz.:— *Inspectors' salaries, &c.*

JULY.

Inspectors' Salaries—

Chief Inspector, ...	£17	10	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	12	10	0
Inspector Mitchell, ...	12	10	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	10	0	0
	£52	10	0

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages—

Chief Inspector, ...	£6	8	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6	0	0
Inspector Mitchell, ...	5	4	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	5	4	0
	22	16	0
	£75	6	0

Inspectors' Expenses—

Chief Inspector, ...	£3	7	6
Inspector Chrystal, ...	2	7	3
Inspector Mitchell, ...	5	19	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	5	15	6
	£17	9	3

Inspectors' salaries, &c.

AUGUST.

Inspectors' Salaries—

Chief Inspector, ...	£17	10	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	12	10	0
Inspector Mitchell, ...	12	10	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	10	0	0
		£52	10 0

Inspectors' Assistants Wages—

Chief Inspector, ...	£8	0	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	7	10	0
Inspector Mitchell, ...	6	10	0
Inspector Paterson.	6	10	0
		28	10 0
		£81	0 0

Inspectors' Expenses—

Chief Inspector, ...	£4	14	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	2	7	1
Inspector Mitchell, ...	4	0	2
Inspector Paterson, ...	0	16	5
	£11	17	8

Inspectors' salaries, &c.

There was also submitted a note of the salaries and expenses of the inspectors and of the wages of the inspectors' assistants for the month ending 15th proximo, payment of which was authorised by the committee, subject to being passed by the Finance Committee, as follows, viz. :—

Inspectors' Salaries—

Chief Inspector, ...	£17	10	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	12	10	0
Inspector Mitchell, ...	12	10	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	10	0	0
		£52	10 0

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages—

Chief Inspector.	£6	8	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6	0	0
Inspector Mitchell, ...	5	4	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	5	4	0
		£22	16 0
	£75	6	0

Expenses of Inspectors, &c.

The meeting also passed for payment the following sums in respect of inspectors' expenses, viz. :—

Inspectors' Expenses—

Chief Inspector, ...	£3	3	0½
Inspector Chrystal, ...	4	9	10
Inspector Mitchell, ...	10	4	6
Inspector Paterson, ...	3	5	1
	£21	2	5½

Account.—Messrs. De Grave, Short, & Company.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk reported that Messrs. De Grave, Short, & Company had adjusted the 14-inch and 10-inch beams to the satisfaction of the Chief Inspector, without making any additional charge therefor, and that he had accordingly paid the amount of their account as stated in the minutes of last meeting. The meeting approved.

Bonds of Caution by Inspectors.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the completed bonds of caution by the four inspectors of weights and measures in favour of the County Council, as arranged with the National Guarantee and Suretyship Association, Limited, as cautioners, the premium in each case being £1, half being payable by the inspectors and half by the County Council.

Results of examination and testing of certain patterns of weighing instruments.

There were laid before the meeting communications from the Board of Trade, dated 30th June and 31st July, transmitting copies of six notices giving the results of the examination and testing of certain patterns of weighing instruments, &c.

Set of brass working standards.

The Chief Inspector stated that, in order to comply with Article No. 6 of the Weights and Measures Regulations, 1907, it was necessary that the inspectors of Districts Nos. 2 and 4 should each be supplied with a set of brass working standards of 56 lbs. to $\frac{1}{2}$ drachm, and that to complete the equipment of Inspector Paterson (No. 4 district) the following standards would be required, viz. :—

One set of troy weights, 10 oz. to 0·001 oz. ;
One set of apothecaries' weights, 4 drachms to $\frac{1}{2}$ grain ;
One set of grain weights, 100 to $\frac{1}{100}$th grain ;
One fine balance for testing troy and apothecaries' weights.

Offer from Messrs. De Grave, Short, & Company.

The Chief Inspector also submitted an offer which he had received from Messrs. De Grave, Short, & Company, for the supply of the standards and weights above referred to, which amounted to £37 10s., but the meeting, after consideration, instructed the Chief Inspector to obtain an offer or offers from other makers, and to submit the same to a future meeting.

Nomination of Mr. William Donald for examination as an Inspector of Weights and Measures.

There having been submitted a letter from Mr. William Donald, assistant inspector for District No. 4, making application to be nominated by this Local Authority for examination as an inspector of weights and measures at the diet in Edinburgh on 13th and 14th proximo, the meeting unanimously agreed to grant the application and to pay the fee for examination, as in former cases.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1909.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	293	22	—	—	61	20	179	60	2	11	—	—
„ 2,	1,733	147	67	17	1,394	15	38	1,394	15	33	9	13
„ 3,	1,419	63	2	13	1,237	17	72	1,223	6	9	1	5
„ 4,	780	80	7	12	617	15	31	617	6	6	—	12

Outdoor Inspections.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	Found Correct.			Required Adjusting.			Unstamped.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 3,	368	5,168	3,775	419	699	193	7	41	15	7	12
„ 4,	31	337	255	9	36	14	13	10	—	—	—

Fees.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
No. 1,	8	16	6½	0	9	6½	9	6	1
„ 2,	7	15	6½	10	11	3	18	6	9½
„ 3,	8	16	2½	10	3	10	19	0	0½
„ 4,	12	0	2½	5	9	0	17	9	2½
	37	8	6	26	13	7½	64	2	1½

Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.

No. 1 District.—Made-up articles weighed in 77 places of business.

Prosecutions.

Peter Wright, Grocer, Partick, light parcels of meal and flour, case pending.

No. 2 District—In the course of the verification work, 171 visits were made.

„ 3 „ „ „ 31 „

„ 4 „ „ „ 31 „

22nd September, 1909.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st JULY, 1909.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	181	17	—	—	41	1	122	41	—	6	—	5
No. 2,	991	54	23	7	871	4	22	871	2	4	2	4
No. 3,	1,167	59	10	11	926	117	32	841	7	6	1	5
No. 4,	491	37	13	11	401	11	8	399	10	8	—	2

Outdoor Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	Found Correct.			Required Adjusting.			Unstamped.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	105	1,473	1,072	125	215	36	1	10	7	3	4
No. 2,	3	12	—	1	2	12	1	1	—	—	—
No. 3,	56	562	91	8	72	374	4	12	—	1	—
No. 4,	212	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Fees.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
No. 1,	6	14	5½	0	5	9½	7	0	3
„ 2,	9	7	1½	7	4	6	16	11	7½
„ 3,	9	7	0	7	19	4½	17	6	4½
„ 4,	6	2	1½	4	3	11	10	6	0½
	31	10	8½	19	3	7	51	4	3½

Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.

No. 1 District.—Made up articles weighed in 33 places of business.
No. 4 District.— Do. do. 36 do.

Reported for Prosecution.

Thomas Preston, Bargeddie, - - - Unjust weights.
Do., do., - - - Light parcels of sugar.
Mrs. John Lawrie, Calderbank, - - - Unjust scale.
John Quigley, Calderbank, - - - - Do.
David Crichton, Stane, - - - - Light parcels of meal, flour, and sugar.

Case pending at date of last report has been disposed of as follows :—
James Wright, Partick, fined 10s. 6d. or 7 days.

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st AUGUST, 1909.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1.	273	45	—	—	94	—	129	94	—	—	—	7
„ 2,	1,691	66	65	23	1,367	18	134	1,367	15	13	5	10
„ 3,	668	36	18	8	550	19	30	535	1	4	1	2
„ 4,	781	109	5	13	606	9	23	606	9	13	1	2

Outdoor Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	Correct.			Required Adjusting.			Unstamped.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments
No. 1,	166	1,891	1,388	96	293	86	—	19	1	3	5
„ 4,	13	100	78	2	10	—	6	4	—	—	—

Fees.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
No. 1,	14	8	5½	0	15	5½	15	3	11
„ 2,	12	8	7½	10	18	2½	23	6	10
„ 3,	4	10	10½	4	1	3	8	12	1½
„ 4,	2	14	11½	4	9	11	7	4	10½
	34	2	11	20	4	10	54	7	9

Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.

No. 1 District.—Made-up articles weighed in 40 shops, &c.
No. 2 District.—In the course of the verification work, 173 visits were made.
No. 3 District.— Do. do. do., 48 do.
No. 4 District.— Do. do. do., 101 do.

Two of the cases pending at date of last report have been disposed of, viz.:—

Thomas Preston, grocer, Bargeddie—unjust weights and light parcels of sugar—fined £2.

John Quigley, provision merchant, Coatbridge—unjust weighing machine—fined £2.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 26th May, 1909, being a meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. 26th May, 1909.

Present—

John Allison.
J. P. Baird.
Thomas G. Cowan.
Thomas Fulton.
Alexander Hamilton.
A. D. Mack.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
James Prentice.
Hugh Reid.
John D. Scott.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Young.

Attending—

Captain Despard, Chief Constable of the County.
D. Hamilton, V.S.

Mr. John D. Scott, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 5th May, 1909, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting the number of notifications received under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order was 21, and that of these 6 had been certified to be anthrax, the particulars of the 6 cases referred to being as follows, viz.:— *Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order.—Number of Notifications.—Cases of anthrax.*

Auldton, Lesmahagow (*Gavin Hamilton*).—In this case a heifer died, and on examination by Mr. Jarvie, Veterinary Inspector, it was found to be affected with anthrax. The carcase had been cut up by one of Mr. Hamilton's servants, unknown to him, before Mr. Jarvie was able to inspect it. The carcase was destroyed and the premises thoroughly disinfected. The feeding consisted of cake. There remain on the farm 46 cattle. 113 sheep, 5 horses, and 2 dogs.

Greentowers, Lanark (*Wm. Muirhead*).—The animal affected in this case was a dairy cow, and was certified by Mr. Jarvie to have died of anthrax. The carcase was destroyed and the premises disinfected and cleansed. The feeding consisted of cake and bean meal. There remain on the premises 71 cattle, 8 horses, 163 sheep, 9 pigs, and 2 dogs.

Kerse, Lesmahagow (*J. J. Greenshields*).—In this case a bullock died suddenly, and on examination by Mr. Jarvie, Veterinary Surgeon, it was certified to have died of anthrax. The carcase was taken to Omoa and there destroyed. The feeding consisted of cake, turnips, hay, and straw. There remain on the premises 14 cattle, 142 sheep, 6 horses, and 1 dog.

Low Merryton Farm, Hamilton (James Brown).—The animal affected in this case was a dairy cow, which died on 17th May, and on a *post-mortem* examination being made, Mr. Hamilton, Veterinary Surgeon, certified it to have died of anthrax. The carcase was removed to Omoa Knackery, and there destroyed. The feeding consisted of grass, bean meal, crushed oats, and compound cake. There remain on the premises 116 cattle, 13 horses, 126 sheep, 5 pigs, and 2 dogs.

Liberton Mains Farm, Liberton, Carnwath (Wm. Muirhead).—In this case the animal affected was a bullock, which was certified by Mr. M'Quat, Veterinary Surgeon, to have died of anthrax. The carcase was taken to Omoa, and there destroyed. The feeding consisted of Bombay cotton cake and linseed cake. There remain on the premises 7 horses, 41 cattle, 450 sheep, 4 pigs, and 2 dogs.

Co-operative Society, Carluke.—The animal affected in this case was a bullock which died at the slaughter-house, Carluke, which was purchased by the above Society at Wishaw Auction Mart on 11th May. On a post-mortem examination Mr. Jarvie certified it to be a case of Anthrax, but a biological test failed to confirm his diagnosis. The carcase was removed to Omoa Knackery, and there destroyed.

Anthrax.—Withdrawal of restrictions.

The Clerk reported that in each of the above cases the usual precautions had been taken to prevent the spread of the disease, and that the restrictions had been withdrawn in the following cases, viz.:—

Scabgill, Braehead, Carnwath (Alexander Wilson).
Clyde Street, Carluke (Henry Flemington, Co-operative Society).
Bredenhill Farm, by Airdrie (Alexander Brown).
Auldton, Lesmahagow (Gavin Hamilton).

Glanders.—Hayhill Farm, Gartcosh.

The Clerk reported an outbreak of glanders at Hayhill Farm, Gartcosh, where one horse had died from the disease, while another, which was clinically affected, had been slaughtered. He further stated that two horses which remained in the stable had been subjected to the mallein test, but with negative results.

Compensation.

The meeting authorised the Clerk to pay compensation in respect of the animal slaughtered by the instructions of the Local Authority in accordance with the provisions of the Glanders Order, 1907.

Glanders.—Withdrawal of restrictions.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, the restrictions had been withdrawn in the case of James Sommerville, 3 Clark Street, Blantyre.

Sheep scab.—Hillhouse, Hamilton (William Brownlie).

The Clerk informed the meeting that there had been reported to him that morning an outbreak of sheep scab in a flock of sheep belonging to William Brownlie, butcher, Muir Street, Hamilton, grazing at Hillhouse, Hamilton, the flock consisting of 26 ewes and 27 lambs, 12 of the former being affected with the disease.

The Clerk stated that the usual precautionary measures were being taken to prevent the spread of the disease, and inquiry was being made as to the origin of the outbreak.

Sheep scab.—Withdrawal of restrictions.

The Clerk reported the withdrawal of the restrictions in the case of William Little, Quarrypark, Annfield Farm, Meikle Earnock.

Swine Fever.—Annfield Farm, Lesmahagow.

The Clerk submitted a notice which had been served upon Andrew Stewart, Annfield Farm, Lesmahagow, defining premises occupied by him as an infected place under the Swine Fever Order of 1908.

Swine Fever (Regulation of Movement) Order, 1908.—Contravention by James Nisbet.

There was laid before the meeting information against James Nisbet, Dalshannon Cottages, Condorrat, for an alleged contravention against the Swine Fever (Regulation of Movement) Order, 1908, in respect that he had moved into this county seven pigs from the disjoined part of Dumbartonshire which, unlike the remainder of that county, was not included within the scheduled area comprising Lanarkshire.

The meeting after consideration agreed that no proceedings be taken in this case.

The following accounts having been submitted were passed for payment, viz. :—

D. Hamilton—Fees from 14th November, 1908, to 15th May, 1909, ...	£188	9	0
John Jarvie—Fees from 7th December, 1908, to 12th May, 1909, ...	82	17	0
Alexander Mason & Son (destroying three carcases), ...	3	0	0

Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908.—Remit from County Council.

The Clerk submitted minute of a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Sub-Committee, of date 5th May last, relating to the question of the administration of the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, containing a recommendation that the question of the administration of that Act should be remitted to the Executive Committee with full powers, which recommendation had been approved of by the County Council at their meeting on 13th current. The minute of the sub-committee referred to was in the following terms, viz. :—

"As relative to the question of the administration of the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, which had also been remitted to this sub-committee, the Clerk laid before the meeting the following documents, viz. :—

Copy of the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908.

Copy Order in Council, dated 2nd April, 1909, containing Regulations under Section 2 of the Act as to the sale of certain poisonous substances for agricultural and horticultural purposes.

Communications from—

(1) The Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain—

(*a*) dated 18th March, 1909, calling attention to the conditions under which licences may be granted, and to the provisions of the Act safeguarding the interests of registered chemists;

(*b*) dated 20th April, 1909, containing a list of registered chemists in the county who supply, or are prepared to supply, the poisonous substances to which the Act refers.

(2) The Traders in Poisonous Compounds for Trade Purposes Protection Society, dated March, 1909, expressing the hope that this County Council would grant licences to nurserymen and others.

Applications for licences.

The Clerk also submitted two applications which he had received for licences, viz. :—

(1) Cameron & Menzies, ironmongers, Lesmahagow; and
(2) Ewing & Robertson, chemical manufacturers, Carntyne, Shettleston.

The meeting, after consideration, expressed the view that the question of the administration of this Act seemed an appropriate one to be dealt with by the Executive Committee of the County Council as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts, and unanimously agreed to recommend the County Council that the matter be remitted to that committee, with full powers."

Resolutions of committee as to fees for licences, &c.

The Clerk having submitted to the meeting the various documents referred to in the minute of the Parliamentary Bills Sub-Committee, the meeting resolved as follows, viz. :—

(1) That licences under the Act should expire on 31st December of each year;
(2) That the fee for a licence should be 10s. 6d., and for the renewal of a licence 1s. 6d; and
(3) That, in view of the personal obligations imposed upon individuals selling substances under the Poisons and Pharmacy Acts, licences should be granted only in the names of individuals.

Licences granted.

The meeting having proceeded to consider the applications from—

(1) Cairncross & Menzies, ironmongers, Lesmahagow; and
(2) Ewing & Robertson, chemical manufacturers, Carntyne, Shettleston,

agreed that a licence be granted in each case, and the Chief Constable having no objections to offer in either case, resolved and instructed the Clerk accordingly. The licence in each to be in the name of any individual member of the firm.

23rd June, 1909. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 23rd June, 1909, being a meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

Present—

John Allison.	James Logan.
William Barr.	A. D. Mack.
Thomas G. Cowan.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Thomas Fulton.	John D. Scott.
George Green.	William Sym.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Templeton.

James Young.

Attending—

Captain Despard, Chief Constable of the County.
D. Hamilton, V.S.

Chairman. Mr. John D. Scott, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 26th May, 1909, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order.—Number of Notifications.—Cases of anthrax. The Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting the number of notifications received under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order was 22, and that of these 4 had been certified to be anthrax, the particulars of the 4 cases referred to being as follows, viz. :—

Springfield Farm, Bishopbriggs (William Thomson).—The animal affected in this case was a 2½-year-old cow, which died after two days illness. The carcase was destroyed at Omoa and the premises were disinfected. The feeding consisted of grass. There remain on the premises 20 cattle, 4 horses, 2 pigs, and 1 dog.

Anston Farm, Dunsyre (James Struthers).—In this case the animal affected was also a cow. The carcase was taken to Omoa for destruction, and the premises were cleansed. The feeding consisted of grass and cotton cake. There remain on the premises 86 cattle. 12 horses, 1,160 sheep, 2 pigs, and 1 dog.

Steppshill Farm, Steps (Alexander Morton).—In this case a dairy cow was affected. The carcase was removed to Omoa and there destroyed, and the premises thoroughly disinfected and cleansed. The feeding consisted of grass. There remain on the premises 28 cattle, 6 horses, and 1 dog.

West Crindledyke, Newmains (John Gilchrist).—A two-year-old bull was the affected animal in this case. The carcase was taken to Omoa for destruction, and the premises were thoroughly cleansed and disinfected. The feeding consisted of linseed cake, bean meal, hay, and grass. There remain on the premises 21 cattle, 3 horses, and 2 dogs.

Anthrax.—Withdrawal of restrictions. The Clerk reported that restrictions had been withdrawn in the following cases, viz. :—

Merryton Farm, Larkhall (James Brown).
Greentowers, Lanark (William Muirhead).
Libberton Mains, Carnwath (William Muirhead).
Springfield Farm, Bishopbriggs (W. Thomson).
Anston, Dunsyre (James Struthers).
Kerse, Lesmahagow (J. J. Greenshields).

Glanders at Stonefield, Blantyre.—Result of mallein test with contact horse.

The Clerk reported that a horse belonging to Mr. Richard Colquhoun, Brickworks, High Blantyre, which had been in contact with the affected horse belonging to James Sommerville, had been subjected to the mallein test, the result, however, being negative.

Reported to last meeting.

With reference to the outbreak of sheep scab in sheep belonging to Mr. William Brownlie, Butcher, Muir Street, Hamilton, which were at present grazing on a field at Hillhouse, Hamilton, the Clerk submitted a report giving the results of the enquiries made by the police as to the past history of the sheep.

Swine Fever, Annfield Farm, Lesmahagow.—Withdrawal of restrictions.

The Clerk reported the withdrawal of the notice which had been served upon Andrew Stewart, Annfield Farm, Lesmahagow, defining premises occupied by him as an infected place under the Swine Fever Order, 1908.

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs.—Communication from District Analyst.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a letter from the District Analyst, under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, with reference to a sample of superphosphates which he had analysed and found to contain 3·40 per cent. of soluble phosphates less than the proportion guaranteed, and explaining that the deficiency was to be accounted for by the reversion from the soluble to the insoluble state.

The Clerk having explained that, as the question of reversion was not dealt with in any of the official publications of the Board of Agriculture, he had thought it proper to send a copy of the analyst's communication to the Board, and that he awaited their reply.

Account.

The following account having been submitted was passed for payment, viz.:—

Alexander Mason & Sons (destruction of two carcases), ... £2

Poisons and Pharmacy Act.—Application for licence from James Sommerville, Shotts.

The Clerk laid before the meeting an application from Mr. James Sommerville, ironmonger, Shotts, for a licence under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, to sell poisonous sheep dips, and having stated that, in terms of the Act and Regulations, due notice had been given by the applicant of his intention to make application, and the Chief Constable having intimated that he had no objections to offer, the meeting unanimously agreed to grant the licence, and instructed accordingly.

Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, and Tuberculosis Order, 1909.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a copy of the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, and of the Tuberculosis Order, 1909, prints of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

The Clerk having explained to the meeting the main provisions of the Bill and Order, the meeting appointed the following sub-committee to consider the Bill and Order in conjunction with sub-committees appointed by the Parliamentary Bills Committee and the Public Health Committee, viz.:—

John Allison. George Green.

James Logan.

22nd September, 1909. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 22nd September, 1909, being a Meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

Present—

John Allison.	Rev. C. M'Kune.
William Barr.	James Prentice.
John P. Campbell.	Hugh Reid.
Thomas Fulton.	John D. Scott.
George Green.	William Sym.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Templeton.
A. D. Mack.	James Young.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Chairman. Mr. John D. Scott, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 23rd June last, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order.—Number of notifications.—Cases of anthrax. The Clerk stated that, since the date of last meeting, the number of notifications received under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, was 36, and that of these 6 had been certified to be anthrax, the particulars of those 6 cases being as follows, viz. :—

1. *Murdostoun, Newmains (Col. King Stewart).*—The animal affected in this case was a 2½ years old bull, which died on 10th July, and on *post-mortem* examination Mr. Hamilton certified it to be a case of anthrax. The carcase was destroyed at Omoa. The feeding consisted of grass, Bombay and linseed cake, and Indian meal. There remain on the premises 36 cattle, 113 sheep, 3 horses, and 2 dogs.

2. *Omoa Knackery.*—On 25th July Mr. Hamilton made an examination of the carcase of a cow which had been removed from West Calder to Omoa Knackery, and found that it had been affected with anthrax. The County Clerk of Midlothian was at once informed of the case.

3. *Harestonhill Farm, Newmains (Coltness Iron Company, Ltd.).*—In this case a bullock (2½ years old) died on 26th July, death being certified by Mr. Hamilton to be due to anthrax. The carcase was destroyed at Omoa. The feeding consisted of oats and cut hay. There remain on the premises 4 bullocks, 1 heifer, and 1 horse.

4. *Buckley Farm, Bishopbriggs (Robert Renwick).*—The animal affected in this case was an 18 months old shorthorn bull, which died on 2nd September. On *post-mortem* examination Mr. Hamilton found it to be affected with anthrax, and had the carcase removed to Omoa Knackery for destruction. The feeding consisted of bran, thirds, cut hay, and a mixture of cotton and oil cake, bean and Bibby meals. There remain on the premises 87 cattle, 23 horses, 4 pigs, and 3 dogs.

5. *Cleugh Farm, Wilsontown (Alex. Somerville).*—A bull died on 4th September, and Mr. Jarvie, on *post-mortem* examination, found it to be affected with anthrax. The carcase was removed to Omoa and there destroyed. The feeding consisted of cake. There remain on the premises 10 horses, 69 cattle, 1 dog, and 151 sheep.

6. *Corbiehall Farm, Lanark (Wm. Fleming).*—In this case a bull died suddenly on 18th September, and was certified by Mr. Jarvie to have died of anthrax. The carcase was destroyed at Omoa Knackery. The feeding consisted of cake and hay There remain on the premises 73 cattle, 6 horses, 332 sheep, and 2 dogs.

The Clerk reported that restrictions had been withdrawn in the following cases on the respective dates named, viz. :—

Steppshill Farm, Millerston (Alex. Morton), 29th June.
West Crindledyke, Newmains (John Gilchrist), 7th August.
Murdostoun, Newmains (Col. King Stewart), 21st August.
Harestonhill Farm, Newmains (Coltness Iron Co.), 1st September.
Buckley Farm, Bishopbriggs (Robert Renwick), 13th September.

Glanders.—Hayhill Farm, Gartcosh.

The Clerk also reported, with reference to the outbreak of glanders at Hayhill Farm, Gartcosh, that the restrictions had been withdrawn on 2nd September.

Sheep Scab.—Withdrawal of restrictions.

With reference to the outbreaks of sheep scab already reported to the committee, the Clerk stated that the restrictions had been withdrawn in the following cases and on the respective dates named, viz. :—

Sweetlope Farm, Bothwell (William Hamilton), 20th July;
Earnockmuir Farm, Hamilton (T. S. Brownlie), 17th August;
Highwairds Park, Neilsland, Meikle Earnock, Hamilton (William Little), 28th August;
Steading Park, Hillhouse Farm, Hamilton (William Brownlie), 2nd July.

Swine Fever Order.—Infected places.

The Clerk stated that the following premises had been declared to be infected places under the Swine Fever Order, viz. :—

Townhead, Biggar (Margaret Leishman);
Burnhead, Stonehouse (John Aitken);
Bloomsholm Farm, Strathaven (John Young);
Broadfield, Symington (John Hislop);
Bloomsholm Farm, Strathaven (John Young), second case;
Symington (William Watson, coal agent);
Westtown, Kilncadzow, Carluke (William Hamilton);
Spittal Farm, Biggar (Robert Hamilton);

but that the premises in each of the above cases had since been declared free.

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs.—Communication from Board of Agriculture.

Under reference to the minutes of the last meeting of the committee, the Clerk submitted a communication which he had received from the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, and which was in the following terms, viz. :—

"Board of Agriculture and Fisheries,
"4 Whitehall Place,
"London, S.W., 1st July, 1909.

"No. A. 19438/1909.

"Sir,

"I am directed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to advert to your letter of the 31st May, with reference to a deficiency of soluble phosphates in a sample of superphosphate analysed by the Official Agricultural Analyst, and to say that the 'limits of error' allowed in the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs (Limits of Error) Regulations, 1906, were not designed to cover the 'reversion' of soluble phosphates. If a part of the soluble phosphates in a fertiliser has 'reverted' on keeping, then the fertiliser becomes less readily available, and where a soluble phosphate for immediate use is required, the value of the fertiliser is of course less. In such cases it would seem that the buyer might be justified in claiming damages against the seller.

"In connection with the question of instituting criminal proceedings under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, the fact that a deficiency was due to a change in the composition of the article, which might have taken place without the knowledge of the seller, should, in the opinion of the Board, be taken into consideration.

"I am,

"Sir,

"Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd.) "T. H. ELLIOTT,
"*Secretary.*

"The Clerk of the County Council
for Lanarkshire."

Remit to Clerk and County Medical Officer.

The meeting, after consideration, remitted to the Clerk and the County Medical Officer to ascertain if the purchaser in this particular case had obtained damages against the seller, and to consider as to what action might be taken in connection with similar cases which might arise in the future.

Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, &c.—Question of appointment of permanent veterinary officer. — Communication from Middle Ward District Committee.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a letter which he had received from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, which was as follows, viz. :—

"District Offices,
"Hamilton, 5th August, 1909.

"DEAR SIR,

"PUBLIC HEALTH.

"MILK AND DAIRIES (SCOTLAND) BILL.

"TUBERCULOSIS ORDER OF 1909.

"The District Committee have had under consideration a memorandum prepared by the Medical Officer of Health on the above Bill and Order, and in view of a suggestion contained therein that 'probably the objects of the Bill and of the Order could best be attained by the appointment of a permanent veterinary officer, whose services would be available throughout the whole country,' they were of opinion that it would be desirable that a sub-committee should confer with the Executive Committee of the County Council regarding the desirability of making such an appointment, and generally on questions of joint interest affecting both authorities under the Bill and Order. They accordingly appointed the following sub-committee on their behalf, and I shall be glad to hear that it can be arranged to confer on the subject as proposed, namely:—

Mr. Burns.	Mr. Love.
Mr. Fraser.	Mr. Neilson.
Mr. Barns Graham.	Mr. Prentice.
Mr. Lambie.	Mr. Strang.

"Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) "W. E. WHYTE.

"THOMAS MUNRO, Esq.
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton."

Agreed that Veterinary Inspector should be appointed.—Remit to sub-committee.

The meeting, after consideration, and on the motion of Mr. Hugh Reid, seconded by Mr. Templeton, unanimously agreed to recommend that a Veterinary Inspector for the County should be appointed whose services might be available to the several District Committees in connection with Public Health administration, and remitted to the following sub-committee to consider as to the salary and the terms upon which the services of the Veterinary Inspector might be made available to the District Committee, and to report, viz. :—

George Green.	James Prentice.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.	Hugh Reid.
	John D. Scott.

Police information.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting police information in the following cases, viz. :—

(1) Contraventions of Sheep Scab Order, 1905—

(*a*) William Little, 121 Stonefield Road, Blantyre;

(*b*) Thomas S. Brownlie, Earnockmuir Farm, Hamilton.

(2) Contravention against the Sheep Dipping (Scotland and North of England) Order, 1907—

James Millroy, Knowhead, Harthill, Shotts.

(3) Contravention against the Swine Fever (Regulation of Movement) Order, 1908—

Alexander Stirling, Bogside Farm, New Monkland.

The circumstances of each case having been explained by the Clerk, the meeting, after due consideration, did not think it necessary to instruct proceedings in any case, and resolved accordingly.

Appointment of Superintendent Martin as an Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

In consequence of the retirement of Superintendent Cooke from the County Constabulary, the meeting appointed Superintendent Matthew J. Martin to be an Inspector of the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts for the Lower Ward District.

Board of Agriculture (Scotland) Bill.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the Board of Agriculture (Scotland) Bill, consideration of which was continued.

Tuberculosis Order, 1909.—Milk and Dairies Bill.

With reference to the Tuberculosis Order, 1909, the meeting expressed the view that they do not see any reason why the operation of this Order should be made dependent upon the passing of the Milk and Dairies Bill, and that a representation should be made to the Board of Agriculture to this effect. At the same time the meeting agreed that an effort should be made with a view to an arrangement being come to on the question of payment of compensation under the Order.

The meeting remitted to the chairman of the committee and the Clerk to make a representation to the Board of Agriculture in accordance with the views expressed by the committee, and to take such further steps in the matter as they may consider advisable.

Accounts.

The following accounts. having been submitted, were passed for payment, viz. :—

D. Hamilton. fees from 16th May to 15th August, 1909, ...	£109	14	6
W. W. M'Quat, fees from 9th January to 28th June, 1909, ...	27	11	4
Alexander Mason & Son, destroying carcases, ...	2	0	0

Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908.—Application by Mr. James D. Simpson for licence.

The Clerk laid before the meeting an application by Mr. James D. Simpson, Managing Director and Secretary of the Shettleston Oil and Chemical Company, Ltd., for a licence under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, to sell and keep open shop for the sale of poisonous substances, to which Section 2 of that Act applies, for use exclusively in connection with agriculture and horticulture.

The Clerk having stated that, in terms of the Act and Regulations, due notice had been given by the applicant of his intention to make application, and that no objections had been received from the Chief Constable to the granting of the licence, the meeting, after consideration, unanimously agreed to grant a licence, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 2nd June, 1909, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 2nd June, 1909.

Present—

William Barr.	A. D. Mack.
Colonel Buchanan.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Nathaniel Gold.	William Neilson.
George Green.	Alexander Pillans.
William Kerr.	John D. Scott.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.
Colonel Logan.	James C. Hope Vere.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 5th May, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £78,460 7s. 1d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept book and the accounts and requisitions being initialed by the Chairman and Mr. A. D. Mack, and the meeting remitted to any two members to sign cheques for the amounts stated in the precept book. *Accounts and requisitions.*

The Clerk submitted the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz.:— *Statement of loans, &c.*

Statement of Loan Indebtedness as at 29th May, 1909.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£879,914 19 2
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	£63,812 14 4	
Loans taken do., ...	58,120 6 8	
		5,692 7 8
		£874,227 11 6

The County Fund stands at £43,338 17s. 1d. to the credit, made up as follows:—

On Deposit Receipt, ...	£20,000 0 0
On Account current, ...	23,338 17 1
	£43,338 17 1

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted a certificate by the Royal Bank of the amount on deposit receipt. *Bank certificate.*

Middle Ward water requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, viz. :—

No. 114 (new), dated 15th May, 1909,	...	...	£547 15 4
No. 115 (new), dated 29th May, 1909,	...	...	2,167 6 3
No. 122 (old), dated 15th May, 1909, ...	...	...	22 16 0
No. 123 (old), dated 29th May, 1909, ...	...	...	193 11 3

Abstract of public undertakings for 1909-10.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting an abstract of the valuation of public undertakings for 1909-10, as valued by the Assessor of Railways, &c., which was as follows, viz. :—

ABSTRACT OF VALUATIONS OF PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS FOR 1909-10 AND COMPARISON WITH 1908-09.

	1909-10.	1908-09.	Increase.	Decrease.
Caledonian Railway, ...	£114,807	£132,356	—	£17,549
Caledonian and Glasgow and South-Western Railways (Glasgow and Paisley Joint Line),	3,382	3,594	—	212
Glasgow District Subway, ...	7,705	8,235	—	530
Lanarkshire and Dumbartonshire Railway, ...	14,665	14,757	—	92
North British Railway, ...	38,829	45,674	—	6,845
Caledonian, North British, and Glasgow and South-Western Railways (Prince's Dock Joint Line), ...	825	938	—	113
Glasgow Corporation Tramways, ...	47,998	51,438	—	3,440
Lanarkshire Tramways, ...	11,482	10,032	1,450	—
Glasgow Corporation Water, ...	7,623	7,551	72	—
Burgh of Kirkintilloch Water, ...	71	59	12	—
Glasgow Corporation Gas, ...	7,372	6,291	1,081	—
Glasgow Corporation Electricity, ...	56	59	—	3
	£254,815	£280,984	£2,615	£28,784

Total Decrease, ...	£28,784
Total Increase, ...	2,615
Net decrease, ...	£26,169

Question of borrowing for road improvements.—Communications from clerks to district committees.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting correspondence which he had had with the Clerks to the District Committees of the County on the question of the expediency of exercising in certain cases the powers conferred by Section 19 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, to borrow money for the purposes *inter alia* of road improvement, widening, &c., and he stated that, as a result of an interchange of views, it had been agreed that it was almost impossible to lay down any rule that would be of general application ; that it was desirable to discourage borrowing for small improvements which partook of the nature of improved maintenance rather than of reconstruction ; and that each case should be considered on its merits. The meeting approved of this understanding

Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Act, 1908.—Collection of fines.

The attention of the committee having been drawn to the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Act, 1908, directing that all penalties and expenses imposed under the Act shall be paid to the Clerk of Court, to be accounted for by him to the persons entitled thereto, the meeting, after consideration, agreed that, for the convenience of all parties, the sums falling to the County Council should be remitted to the County Clerk once a month, and that the remuneration of the fiscals who are paid by salary should be paid monthly, quarterly, or half-yearly, as may be desired. The Clerk was instructed accordingly.

Lanark Corporation Order, 1908.—Statement showing proposed allocation of sum received from burgh.

The Clerk having submitted a statement of claim by the County Council against the Burgh of Lanark for loss of rating area annexed to the Burgh, under the Lanark Corporation (Extension of Boundaries, &c.) Order, 1908, showing respectively the amounts claimed in respect of (1) Debt and (2) Standing Charges, the meeting agreed that, of the total sum of £850 received from the burgh in settlement of the claim, £399 be applied to the reduction of debt as shown in the statement submitted, and that the balance of £451 be meantime transferred to the county reserve monies, leaving it to the sub-committee appointed in regard to these monies to report as to how the sum should ultimately be disposed of.

County Auditor's fee.—Communication submitted.

Under reference to the minutes of 6th January last, the Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication which he had received from Mr. Peter Rintoul, C.A., the County Auditor, which was in the following terms, viz. :—

"212 West George Street,
"Glasgow, 10th May, 1909.

"DEAR SIR.

"AUDIT FEE.

"I have pleasure in sending the following particulars which I think will enable your committee to consider the adequacy of the audit fee at present being paid.

"I am not able, of course, to give the figures of the year now almost completed, but the abstract of accounts for the year 1907-08 shows that, in that year, 112 separate rates were levied, the actual number of expenditure accounts in the books being rather greater as certain expenditure *e.g.* on Technical Education is not rated for. The expenditure of the year 1907-08 was £339,840 0s. 1½d., of which £298,018 7s. 4½d. was ordinary, and £41,821 12s. 9d. was capital expenditure. When the late Mr. Graham's fee was raised in 1900 from £200 to £300, the number of separate rates levied was 86, and the year's expenditure (1899-1900) was £281,758 2s. 4d., of which £210,339 4s. was ordinary, and £71,418 18s. 4d. was capital expenditure.

"The time occupied at the audit, leaving my own out of account and taking clerks' time only, was, for the audit of the year 1907-08, 191 days of senior clerks, and 184 of junior clerks. That is for the whole of the work, embracing the accounts of the County Council itself, and also those of the District Committees, the audits of which were done by different members of my staff so as to hasten the completion of the work as much as possible. According to Mr. F. W. Pixley's book on "Accountants' Charges," a normal rate of remuneration for clerks' time on audits is £1 11s. 6d. per day for head clerks, and £1 1s. per day for juniors. A charge for clerks' time, based upon £1 1s. per day for head clerks and 10s. 6d. per day for juniors, may therefore be considered as very moderate, and would work out at £297 3s. Adding to this the actual out-of-pocket expenses for railway fares, &c., £46 19s. 6d, gives a total of £344 2s. 6d., and, as the present fee is £300, it will be seen that, not only does it give nothing at all for my own time, but it does not even give remuneration, at the before mentioned rates, for clerks' time. Perhaps I should say that I am satisfied the clerks' time cannot be reduced, as last year the audits of the three District Clerks' accounts and of your own accounts were in the hands of men having several years' experience of the work. A new man coming to any portion of the work would need longer, and so increase the total clerks' time.

"As regards my own individual time, it varies so much from one year to another that it is difficult to say what, upon the average, it will amount to.

"If I can give you any further particulars kindly let me know.

"In conclusion, may I thank you for having brought this matter to the notice of your Finance Committee.

"Yours faithfully,
(Signed) "PETER RINTOUL."

LANARK COUNTY COUNCIL AUDIT 1907-8.

Time.	County Proper.	Upper Ward.	Middle Ward.	Lower Ward.	Total.
Principals, ...	2	½	1	½	4 days.
Head Clerks,... ...	86	10	66	29	191 ,,
Junior Clerks, ...	92	5	82	5	184 ,,

Principal's time at £5 5s. per day, ...	£21	0	0	6 days @ £5.5.0 £ 31.10.0
Head Clerks' time at £1 1s. ,, ...	200	11	0	224 " " £1.1.0 235.4.0
Junior Clerks' time at 10s. 6d. per day, ...	96	12	0	177 " " 0.10.6 92.18.6
Expenses travelling, &c.,...	45	13	6	48.0.0
	£363	16	6	£ 407.12.6

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Actual fee, covering expenses, £300.

Remuneration increased.

The meeting having fully considered the matter, Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell moved that the remuneration of the county auditor be increased from £300 to £400 per annum. which was seconded by Mr. Pillans, and unanimously agreed to. The Clerk was instructed to communicate this resolution to the Secretary for Scotland for his approval.

Stationery contract.

The meeting agreed to renew the present contract with Mr. Robert Anderson, 142 West Nile Street, Glasgow, for stationery, for a further period of twelve months.

Request by 8th Battalion Highland Light Infantry to use county crest.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from Major Dykes, dated 17th ultimo, requesting, on behalf of the 8th Battalion Highland Light Infantry, the Council's consent to use the county crest on its regimental colours. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to accede to the request.

Communication from Scottish Traders' Association, Ltd.

A communication from the Scottish Traders' Association, Ltd., of date 14th ultimo, requesting this County Council to become members of the Association was submitted, and allowed to lie on the table.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the Committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works, viz. :—

MIDDLE WARD.

(1) £32 12s. 3d. for the taking over of a sewer in Dean Street and Davidson Street within the Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District;

(2) £1,800 for the construction of a public slaughter-house at Uddingston;

(3) £52 for the construction of a new sewer within the Stonehouse Special Drainage District;

(4) £45 for the purchase of additional lanterns for Bothwell Special Lighting District;

(5) £115 for the construction of an automatic storm-water diverter, and the laying of bye-pass pipe to Myres Burn within the Uddingston Special Drainage District;

(6) £85 for the construction of a culvert in Manse Garden within the Bothwell Special Drainage District;

(7) £200 for the widening and improving of Dyke Street, Baillieston, in the Parish of Old Monkland;

(8) £4,500 for the provision and erection of new Nurses' Home at the Middle Ward Hospital, near Motherwell;

(9) £490 for the construction of a new sewer to convey the sewage from Stonehouse Hospital to a sewer within the Stonehouse Special Drainage District;

(10) £12 for the erection of new lamps within the Carmyle Special Lighting District.

The meeting, having considered the above applications and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 1st September, 1909, being a meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 1st September, 1909.

Present—

William Barr.	Robert Lambie.
David J. Black.	Colonel Logan.
Colonel A. L. H. Buchanan.	A. D. Mack.
George Fraser.	William Neilson.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.	Alexander Pillans.
George Green.	William Templeton.

James C. Hope Vere.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 2nd June, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £14,832 14s. 3d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment—the precept book and the accounts and requisitions being initialed by Messrs. Robert Lambie and William Templeton, and the meeting remitted to any two members to sign cheques for the amounts stated in the precept book. *Accounts and requisitions.*

The Clerk submitted the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz. :— *Statement of loans*

Statement of Loan Indebtedness as at 27th August, 1909.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£874,227	11 6
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	£27,169 12 10		
Loans taken do., ...	23,896 1 7		
		3,273	11 3
		£870,954	0 3

The County Fund stands at £9,947 5s. 9d. to the credit.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, viz. :— *Middle Ward Water Requisitions.*

No. 116 (new), dated 26th June, 1909, ...	£3,460 2 10
No. 124 (old), dated 26th June, 1909, ...	251 6 6
No. 117 (new), dated 31st July, 1909, ...	1,887 0 8
No. 125 (old), dated 31st July, 1909, ...	52 6 11
No. 118 (new), dated 28th August, 1909, ...	701 0 10
No. 126 (old), dated 28th August, 1909, ...	2 16 10

The Clerk laid before the meeting a communication from the Glasgow and West of Scotland Technical College stating that the Governors of the College had arranged to take over Holmes Farm, Kilmarnock, to be managed as a station for the purposes *Taking over of Holmes Farm, Kilmarnock, by Glasgow and West of Scotland Technical College.*

of agricultural education, demonstration, experiment, and research, and requesting the support of this County Council. After consideration, the meeting unanimously agreed, subject to the approval of the County Council and the Secretary for Scotland, to make a contribution to the College out of the Equivalent Grant of a sum of £250.

Hunter Selkirk Collection.

With reference to the suggestion that an expert should be consulted with regard to the Hunter Selkirk Collection, the Clerk submitted a further letter from the Town-Clerk of Lanark stating that his committee were not disposed to incur any further expense in the matter, but that they had no objections to the County Council taking an expert's opinion at their own cost, on the understanding that the opinion would be submitted to his committee.

Remit to sub-committee.

After discussion, it was remitted to the sub-committee already appointed in regard to the matter to take the opinion of an expert should they consider it necessary or advisable.

Contravention of the Licensing Act.—Appeal by William John Clyde against decision of J.P. Court.

The Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting he had agreed, at the request of the J.P. Fiscal, Lanark, to defray any expense which may be incurred in connection with an appeal by Mr. William John Clyde, hotel keeper, Carluke, against a decision of the Justices of the Peace for the Upper Ward in connection with an alleged contravention of the Licensing Act, and the meeting approved.

Maintenance of boy in Kibble Reformatory.

The Clerk stated that on behalf of the County Council he had agreed to grant the usual contribution for the maintenance of a boy, named Edward Powell, Mossend, who had been sent to Kibble Reformatory, Paisley, and the meeting approved.

Commission paid to collectors of rates.

The question of the commission paid to the several collectors of rates having been raised, the Clerk was instructed to prepare and submit to the committee a return showing the commission that had been paid to the collectors from time to time and the amount of the collectors' disbursements so far as this information was available.

Lunacy assessments.

There was laid before the meeting communications from the General Board of Lunacy showing the apportionment of the assessments amongst the contributing authorities in connection with the several Lunacy Districts, the proportions payable by the districts so far as situated in this county being as follows, viz.:—

(1) Lanark Lunacy District,	... ...	£13,583	0 11
(2) Glasgow do.,	... ...	1,350	4 2
(3) Govan do.,	... ...	7,785	16 5

Equivalent Grant.

The Clerk stated that he had received from the Government the grant under Section 2 (5) of the Education and Local Taxation Account (Scotland) Act, 1892, amounting to £10,851 0s. 2d., being an increase of £90 18s. 7d. as compared with that of last year.

Grant to Nurses' Association.

The meeting having proceeded to consider the question of the allocation of the Grant, agreed to recommend the County Council to contribute this year a sum of £100 towards assisting in the training of nurses, and also a sum of £50 to the funds of the Lanarkshire Association for Nurses, which is affiliated to Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses, subject to the approval of the Secretary for Scotland.

Grant towards establishment of rifle clubs.

The meeting further agreed, subject to the approval of the County Council and the Secretary for Scotland, to contribute out of the Grant a sum of £200 towards the establishment of rifle clubs in the county.

Annual reports by District Committees.

There were laid before the meeting the annual reports of the several District Committees relating to the administration of the Public Health and Local Government Acts, together with estimates of the expenditure for 1909-10 prepared and submitted in accordance with the regulations made by the County Council.

Draft estimates for 1909-10.

The Clerk submitted a print of the draft estimates necessary to meet the requirements of the County Council by way of rating for the current year, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, and he stated that the estimates, so far as affecting the expenditure of the District Committees, had been considered and approved of by these committees, and, so far as relating to highways, by the County Road Board.

The meeting having gone over the estimates, and certain adjustments having been made, agreed to continue further consideration of them until next meeting of the committee.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works, viz.:—

Upper Ward.

(1) £300 for the purchase of an additional spring, and the cost of connecting up same with the pipes in the Lesmahagow Special Water District.

(2) £50 for the completion of intake of additional springs to Crawford Special Water District.

Middle Ward.

(1) £1,800 for the construction of a public slaughter-house at Stonehouse.

(2) £350 for the construction of a new sewer in North Road, Bellshill, within the Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District.

(3) £54 for the purchase of new incandescent lanterns for Uddingston Special Lighting District.

(4) £54 3s. 10d. for the completion of sewage purification works at Burnbrae in connection with the East Kilbride Special Drainage District.

(5) £135 for the widening and improvement of north side of Glasgow and Hamilton Highway from Victoria Street to Station Road, Blantyre.

(6) £907 15s. for the widening and improvement of Brigg Brae Mill Highway and others within the Middle Ward District.

(7) £200 for the widening and improvement of Dyke Street, Baillieston.

Lower Ward.

(1) £35 for alterations at sewage purification works of Stepps Special Drainage District.

(2) £26 for the laying of water-pipe in Auchenairn Road within the North Cadder Special Water District.

(3) £110 for the extension of main in Blenheim Avenue, Stepps, and the laying of pipe in road from East Muckcroft Farm steading to Stoneyetts within the South Cadder Special Water District.

(4) £900, being excess capital expenditure in connection with the construction of sewage purification works for Bishopbriggs and Auchenairn Special Drainage District.

(5) £325, being excess capital expenditure in connection with the construction of sewers and sewage purification works for Stepps Special Drainage District.

The meeting, having considered the above applications, and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

29th September, 1909. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 29th September, 1909, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

William Barr.	Colonel Logan.
David J. Black.	A. D. Mack.
George Fraser.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Green.	Alexander Pillans.
William Kerr.	John D. Scott.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.

Chairman. In the absence of Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, from whom an apology was submitted, Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 1st current, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of, and signed.

Accounts and requisitions. Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £29,497 5s. 6d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment—the precept book and the accounts and requisitions being initialed by Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell and Mr. Robert Lambie, and the meeting remitted to any two members to sign cheques for the amounts stated in the precept book.

Statement of loans. The Clerk submitted the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz.:—

Statement of Loan Indebtedness as at 25th September, 1909.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£870,954 0 3
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£13,500 0 0	
Loans repaid do., ...	4,430 0 0	
		9,070 0 0
		£880,024 0 3

The County Fund stands at £2,066 to the credit.

Middle Ward Water requisitions. There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, viz. :—

No. 119 (new), dated 25th September, 1909, ...	£290 5 2
No. 127 (old), dated 25th September, 1909, ...	0 4 6

Equivalent Grant.—Proposed allocation. The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of allocation of the Equivalent Grant on the assumption that the proposed appropriation of the undernoted several sums would be approved by the County Council, viz. :—

Amount of Grant, £10,851 0s. 2d.

Contribution to the Queen Victoria Jubilee Institute for Nurses, ...		£100 0 0
Do. Lanarkshire Association for Nurses, ...		50 0 0
Do. West of Scotland Agricultural College, ...		250 0 0
Contribution towards the establishment of Rifle Clubs in the County, ...		200 0 0
		£600 0 0
	Valuation.	
Upper Ward—for Highways, ...	£360,994 0 0	1,874 5 3
Middle Ward—for Public Health, ...	1,302,759 0 0	6,763 17 4
Lower Ward— do., ...	310,649 0 0	1,612 17 7
	£1,974,402 0 0	£10,851 0 2

The Clerk having reported with reference to the above statement that he understood that the District Committee of the Middle Ward were at present considering the question of the advisability of devoting part of their quota of this grant towards the cost of lighting main highways, the meeting agreed that the Council be recommended to approve, in the event of the District Committee resolving to apply any portion of the money to the purpose indicated, of application being made to the Secretary for Scotland for his consent.

Suggestion to apply portion of grant to lighting of main highway outwith special lighting districts.

The Clerk having referred to the previous communications with the Town-Clerk of Airdrie in regard to a proposed extension of that burgh, stated that a request had been made by the Town Council that the County Council should reconsider the matter.

Burgh of Airdrie.—Proposed extension.

After discussion, the meeting appointed the following sub-committee to further consider the matter, and, if necessary, to meet with representatives of the Town Council, and to report, viz. :—

Appointment of sub-committee.

Colonel Buchanan.	A. D. Mack.
George Green.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.	

Mr. Neilson to be chairman of the sub-committee, and two a quorum.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a copy of a petition by residents of the county area immediately adjoining the southern boundary of the Burgh of Airdrie alleging inadequate arrangements in the matter of scavenging, police supervision, and in other respects, which the meeting remitted to the above sub-committee.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk stated that he had sent to each member of the committee a statement (Appendix) showing the amount of commission paid to Collectors of County Rates since 1889, together with a note of their disbursements for the year 1905-6, as previously submitted to the committee.

Collection of County Rates.—Statement.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed, on the motion of Mr. Pillans, seconded by Mr. John D. Scott, to remit to the following sub-committee to consult with the County Clerk as to whether any economies could be effected in the present method of collection, and to report, viz. :—

Remit to sub-committee.

David J. Black.	Robert Lambie.
George Fraser.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Green.	William Neilson.
William Kerr.	Alexander Pillans.
John D. Scott.	

Mr. Neilson to be chairman of the sub-committee, and two a quorum.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a letter from Mr. W. H. Jardine, Airdrie, of date 6th August, stating that more difficulty was being experienced every year in collecting rates from occupiers of houses in Omoa Square, and suggesting that steps should be taken in certain cases to enforce payment. The meeting approved of this, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

Omoa Square.—Steps to be taken to enforce payment.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, of date 27th ultimo, stating that the Corporation had resolved to impose a Sewage Purification Assessment under the Glasgow Sewage Act of 4·90d. per £, and the Clerk stated that the rate proposed to be levied in the county area this year was 4d. per £.

Glasgow Sewage Purification Rate.

The Clerk submitted a draft report of the committee, having appended to it the estimates, which had been laid before the last meeting of the committee, and he stated certain alterations which he had made upon the draft, and of these the meeting approved.

Draft report and estimates approved.

The Clerk directed the attention of the committee to the estimates relating to the Carfin District, which showed that, as a result of the recent annexation by the Burgh of Motherwell of an area which previously formed part of the Carfin Special Lighting and Scavenging Districts, there was this year required to meet the estimated expenditure a rate of 4d. per £ in respect of lighting and 8d. per £ in respect of scavenging.

Carfin Lighting and Scavenging.—Excess rate.

These rates being in excess of the assessment authorised by Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, the Clerk was instructed to make application to the Secretary for Scotland, and, if necessary, to the Local Government Board for

Application to Secretary for Scotland and Local Government Board.

their consent, and at the same time to explain the whole circumstances of the case as showing what must inevitably happen if burgh extensions are permitted without regard to the general provisions specially enacted by the Legislature for controlling such extensions.

The meeting thereafter approved of the report and estimates, and authorised the chairman to sign the roport, and instructed the same, along with the estimates, to be laid before the meeting of the County Council to be held on 14th proximo.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee for the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works, viz.:—

Middle Ward.

(1) £350 for the provision and erection of lamps, &c., within the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting Districts;

(2) £1,000 for the construction of sewage purification works in connection with the Middle Ward Hospital.

The meeting, having considered the above applications, and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

NOTE OF COMMISSION PAID TO COLLECTORS OF COUNTY RATES SINCE THE PASSING OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889.

	Rate per Cent.	Glasgow Collection. £ s. d.	Rate per Cent.	Hamilton Collection. £ s. d.	Rate per Cent.	Airdrie Collection. £ s. d.	Rate per Cent.	Lanark Collection. £ s. d.	Rate per Cent.	Strathaven Collection. £ s. d.	Rate per Cent.	Biggar Collection. £ s. d.	Total. £ s. d.
Year 1890-91, ...	2	477 8 6½	1½	400 0 1	1½	146 4 7	1½	113 14 11	1½	47 3 0	1½	66 12 6	1,251 3 7½
,, 1891-92, ...	,,	454 2 0	,,	426 14 10	,,	159 13 9	,,	116 7 2	,,	50 18 0	,,	69 2 0	1,276 17 9
,, 1892-93, ...	,,	496 12 6	1¼	367 8 11	1¾	203 15 10	,,	127 7 4	2	77 2 7	,,	72 19 11	1,345 7 1
,, 1893-94, ...	,,	540 18 10	,,	386 12 0	,,	204 10 11	,,	122 12 6	,,	76 3 5	,,	69 8 8	1,400 6 4
,, 1894-95	,,	556 17 11	,,	418 16 11	,,	216 8 7	,,	132 4 5	,,	79 15 9	,,	71 5 2	1,475 8 9
,, 1895-96, ...	,,	611 1 5	,,	477 16 8	,,	235 16 3	,,	139 19 5	,,	91 17 11	,,	72 7 5	1,628 19 1
,, 1896-97, ...	,,	647 11 4	,,	511 13 3	,,	233 3 7	,,	144 19 9	,,	90 18 10	,,	70 0 9	1,698 7 6
,, 1897-98, ...	,,	664 1 0	,,	504 7 6	,,	213 3 5	,,	152 7 8	,,	71 19 1	,,	65 13 11	1,671 12 7
,, 1898-99, ...	,,	690 19 4	,,	556 7 6	,,	220 13 0	,,	149 8 2	,,	83 1 6	,,	67 2 8	1,767 12 2
,, 1899-1900, ...	,,	859 5 11	,,	733 7 9	,,	263 2 6	,,	153 11 8	,,	107 9 8	,,	69 5 7	2,186 3 1
,, 1900-01, ...	1¾	810 9 5	1	652 2 6	1½	247 14 4	,,	160 11 8	1¾	119 15 7	,,	69 6 2	2,059 19 8
,, 1901-02, ...	,,	865 6 1	,,	691 0 1	,,	269 2 8	,,	186 0 0	,,	123 17 7	,,	80 13 2	2,215 19 7
,, 1902-03, ...	,,	940 6 3	,,	692 9 1	,,	274 18 6	,,	196 6 0	,,	134 6 8	,,	86 17 11	2,325 4 5
,, 1903-04, ...	,,	888 3 10	,,	751 9 3	,,	296 7 7	,,	208 9 8	,,	146 19 4	,,	88 10 2	2,379 19 10
,, 1904-05, ...	,,	923 9 9	,,	732 5 1	,,	301 13 11	,,	210 13 9	,,	147 9 11	,,	91 0 7	2,406 13 0
,, 1905-06, ...	,,	989 19 0	,,	733 18 10	,,	305 9 3	,,	211 0 3	,,	147 10 7	,,	93 17 1	2,481 15 0
,, 1906-07, ...	1⅝	920 18 11	⅞	693 9 0	1¼	271 3 0	1¼	181 7 0	1¼	110 1 1	1¼	83 9 1	2,260 8 1
,, 1907-08, ...	,,	921 5 3	,,	720 7 5	,,	275 6 0	,,	187 14 1	,,	106 1 5	,,	91 11 0	2,302 5 2
,, 1908-09, ...	,,	1,026 9 11	,,	751 16 10	,,	274 1 2	,,	208 16 9	,,	109 6 8	,,	105 10 10	2,476 2 2
Collectors' Disbursements, 1905-1906,		£538 0 0		£374 8 7		£95 16 3		£85 0 0		£53 0 0		£32 18 8	£1,179 3 6

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* COUNTY'S CLAIM AGAINST BURGH OF MOTHERWELL.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 7th July, 1909, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to the County's Claim against the Burgh of Motherwell, under Section 17 of the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Act, 1908. 7th July, 1909.

Present—

GEORGE FRASER. | GEORGE GREEN.
WILLIAM NEILSON.

Mr. Neilson in the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

A copy of the minutes of the Finance Committee, of date 5th May last, containing the remit, was submitted. *Remit.*

The Clerk submitted and explained the claim, as prepared by the auditor and himself in consultation, amounting to £14,317 0s. 4d. The meeting, after consideration thereof, approved of the claim, and instructed the Clerk to intimate it to the Burgh of Motherwell, and also, if he considered it requisite in order to keep the matter open, to instruct the law agents to make the necessary application to the Sheriff. *Claim approved and ordered to be intimated to Burgh.*

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK

JOINT SUB-COMMITTEE ON CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING, &c.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 2nd June, 1909, being a meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council and of the District Committee of the Middle Ward in connection with the Refuse Destruction and Electric Lighting Works at Cambuslang. 2nd June, 1909.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
James Tonner.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
W. L. Douglass, District Engineer.
A. J. Abraham, Resident Engineer.

Mr. Tonner was appointed chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 13th January last, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There was laid before the meeting a report by the Resident Engineer (Appendix I.), a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *Report by Resident Engineer.*

As relative to the working of the undertaking there was submitted an approximate statement of the accounts for the year 1908-1909, which was as follows:— *Approximate statement of accounts.*

CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Revenue Account for 1908-09.

Dr.		*Cr.*	
Wages, Stores, &c., ...	£825	Current sold, ...	£1,170
*Trading Profit carried to net Revenue Account, ...	614	Use of Coup, ...	25
		Refuse destroyed, ...	244
	£1,439		£1,439

*(Last year the Trading Profit was only £29).

Net Revenue Account.

Instalment of Debt and Interest,	£979	Balance from Revenue Account,	£614
Expenses of executing Order not chargeable to Capital (instalment),	98	Year's deficiency raised by assessment, ...	531
Interest on Bank Account, ...	68		
	£1,145		£1,145

Deficiency brought down, ...	£531
The *estimated* deficiency was	560
Last year's deficiency was	1,196

All-night lighting of public streets.

With reference to the suggestion of the Electrical Engineer as to all night lighting, the meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to communicate with the District Committee, stating that this committee would be prepared to supply current for lighting after twelve o'clock midnight, at 1d. per unit.

Proposed extension of cable in Stewarton Drive district.

With regard to the proposed extension of the cable in Stewarton Drive district, the meeting considered that it would be inadvisable for the committee to purchase a greater length of cable than what was actually required, and they agreed to authorise the Resident Engineer to purchase and lay cable in the district referred to for the lighting of houses as these may be erected.

Extension of lighting area.—Promotion of Order.

The meeting, having proceeded to consider the question of the extension of the lighting area, instructed the Clerk to take all preliminary steps, with a view to the promotion of an Order for the extension of the district during the ensuing session.

Question of erection of water tank.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Resident Engineer, stating that if a water tank were to be erected, it would be necessary to instal one capable of holding 9,000 gallons, which he estimated would cost £270.

The meeting, after consideration, ageeed that meantime no tank be erected.

Electrical Exhibition abandoned.

With reference to the proposed Electrical Exhibition, the Clerk stated that the Resident Engineer had obtained from several contractors offers for the fitting up of the Co-operative Hall in Cambuslang, with the necessary wiring and other accessories, the lowest offer being £100. The Clerk having further stated that it had been ascertained that manufacturers were not disposed to lend exhibits free of charge, the meeting agreed to abandon the idea of an exhibition meantime.

Cambuslang Dye Works.

The Clerk informed the meeting that the negotiations between the Resident Engineer and the Manager of the Cambuslang Dye Works for a supply of electricity for the lighting of these works had meantime fallen through.

Insurance of boilers.—Agreed that policy of insurance with Scottish Boiler Insurance Company be not renewed.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a letter from the Resident Engineer, of date 27th January last, stating that, as the conditions of the policy of insurance with the Scottish Boiler Insurance and Engine Inspection Company, Limited, against breakdowns were not satisfactory with respect to working limits, he would recommend that the policy be not renewed. The meeting, after consideration, approved of this recommendation and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

Claim against National Telephone Company.

The Clerk reported to the meeting that in July, 1906, at the request of the National Telephone Company, Limited, a cable was laid for the lighting of premises proposed to be used by that Company as a new exchange; but that intimation had recently been received from the Company that their plans had been altered, and that a supply of electric current would not now be required. He stated that he had accordingly rendered an account against the Company for the expense to which this committee had been put in complying with the instructions of the Company, and that a settlement of the account, which amounted to £4 15s. 10d., had been effected.

Arrangement with Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company.—Question of mode of payment of minimum sum.

The Clerk stated that, with reference to the arrangement come to with the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company to take a supply of current from their cables, an account had been rendered by the Company charging a minimum payment per quarter of £2 10s. instead of, as he had understood the arrangement, at a minimum sum of £10 per annum—the former manner of payment being obviously to the pecuniary advantage of the Company. The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to say that they did not see their way to depart from their understanding of the original agreement, viz., that the minimum payment should be £10 per annum.

Report by Scottish Boiler Insurance, &c., Company, Ltd.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a report by the Scottish Boiler Insurance and Engine Inspection Company, Ltd., relative to the Inspection of the electrical plant at the works, which was satisfactory.

Reports by the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Ltd.

The Clerk also submitted to the meeting reports by the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Ltd., of an external examination of the Lancashire boilers, both of which were reported to be in order.

Letter from Resident Engineer re salary.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter which he had received from the Resident Engineer asking the consideration of the committee to the question of his remuneration, with a view to an increase being granted.

Consideration delayed.

The meeting agreed to delay consideration of the question, and meantime instructed the Clerk to obtain information from Local Authorities of other places where works of a similar character were in operation, as to the salary and conditions of appointment of the Resident Engineer.

APPENDIX.

LANARK COUNTY COUNCIL.

ELECTRICITY AND DESTRUCTOR WORKS, CAMBUSLANG.

REPORT BY A. J. ABRAHAM, A.M.I.E.E., RESIDENT ENGINEER.

Bothwell Street,
Cambuslang, 24th May, 1909.

The COUNTY CLERK,
Hamilton.

DEAR SIR,

I send herewith the works record from my last report up to 15th May.

On 15th May the number of eight-candle-power lamps (equivalent) connected to our mains was 7,164. On the same date of last year the number was 5,524, making the equivalent of 1,640 eight-candle-power lamps connected within the year.

The battery has been working since December, 1907, and I have pleasure in reporting that it is in excellent condition, has never given the slightest trouble, and seems likely to require no repair for the next four or five years. The battery was inspected by the makers' representative in March last, and he expressed himself as pleased with its condition.

I would like to point out that in Cambuslang our load, with the exception of small butchers' motors and a motor in a leather works, is entirely a lighting load. This means that the plant is only in use when light is required (that is, between dusk and 8 p.m. for the shops, and dusk and midnight for the houses), and is standing idle for an average of no less than 17 hours out of the 24 per day. It can therefore easily be understood that, with capital only being used for seven hours a day, it is a very difficult matter to make the concern pay. What is required is not so much to extend our lighting consumers, but to obtain consumers who will use the plant when no light is required. Suppose, for instance, that we obtained another 100 *lighting* consumers. The effect would be that an extension of plant and an increase of capital would become necessary, but still this (greater) capital would be idle for 17 hours, and we should be little better off than at present. If, on the other hand, we obtained 100 consumers who would use electricity during the day or after midnight, *when our plant is idle*, our capital would remain practically the same, but would be in use for a greater number of hours per diem, which is the great thing towards success in an undertaking of this description.

Unfortunately, owing to the fact that Cambuslang is a residential place, and also on account of the powers possessed by the Clyde Valley Company, the chance of ever getting a respectable day load here seems rather remote.

I would suggest, however, that there is no reason why the local committee should not be offered current at 1½d. per unit, instead of 2d., on the condition that the street lights are kept on all the year round and all night long. This will give the ratepayers the benefit of the convenience and security of all-night lighting, and will at the same time help their undertaking by increasing the revenue some £250 per annum, at a total extra cost of from £100 to £180 per annum, according to the amount of refuse delivered. The local committee are about to consider early morning street lighting, so perhaps, if they were offered current at 1½d., it might be thought advisable to keep the lights on all night.

It may be argued that we have already been supplying street lighting at under the cost it takes to produce it. This, however, appears to me to be the wrong way of looking at the matter, because if we had had no street lighting the cost per unit of producing electricity would have been doubled. The more units you generate, the cost of producing the total amount of units goes down automatically, and in this way it actually pays to sell electricity under cost price *during the hours your plant and capital are idle*, for this reduces the average cost per unit generated over the whole system, because wages, capital charges, &c., are then practically the same, generating 200,000 units per annum, as they are generating only 20,000 per annum. I submit, therefore, that units generated *when otherwise the plant would be standing doing nothing* can be considered as a bye-product.

Cable Extension.

It will be remembered that the committee instructed me to lay a cable along Stewarton Drive, a distance of 1,144 yards, and although half the houses were erected and fitted with gas before our cable was laid, we have secured some 30 houses there, and this cable is our most paying cable, and has helped to balance our large amount of idle cable laid in certain other streets.

New roads are now nearing completion in the neighbourhood of Stewarton Drive, and if cable is laid ready for the houses there is no reason (judging from the Stewarton Drive experience) why 90 per cent. of the new houses should not take a supply.

The total length of cable which it will be necessary to lay to supply these new roads will be 4,064 yards, and the total cost will be £1,400 (say One thousand four hundred pounds).

The revenue which may be expected from the above outlay will, of course, depend to a great extent upon the class and number of houses which will be built. When, however, these roads are built upon I estimate that the smallest number of houses which will be connected to the mains will be 120, and the lowest revenue £480 (Four hundred and eighty pounds) per annum.

I should point out, however, that while the roads are being developed there is likely to be a loss if all the cable is put down at once. I would suggest, however, that quotations be obtained for the material to be delivered as and when required over a period of one year, and I could then lay cable where it was seen that houses were being erected. This method may cost a little more than £1,400 (say £1,420), but it will, I consider, be the cheapest and safest plan in the long run.

I should also be glad to know whether it is proposed to light these new streets by electricity, because if so the lighting cable should, to save expense, be put down with the other cable. The extra cost for a complete street lighting scheme would be £586 5s.—if the cable can be laid at the same time as the distribution cable, of this sum £200 would be repaid by the Cambuslang Lighting Committee. The revenue from the street lighting would be from £112 to £120 per annum.

I may mention that a sum of £200 will be saved by putting in the street lighting cable along with the other cable.

Yours faithfully,

A. J. ABRAHAM,
Resident Engineer.

WORKS' RECORD.

Week ending (1909).	Units Generated by Refuse.	Units Generated Coal, &c.	Units used by Street Lighting.	Units used in Station.	Water used. (Gallons.)	Coal used. T.	C.	Q.	Refuse Destroyed. T.	C.	Q.	Units Bought from Clyde Valley Company.	Total Units Generated.	Total Units Generated Corresponding Week last Year.
January, 9,	3,674	343	1,756	127	32,930	2	2	0	110	17	2	61	4,017	3,441
16,	3,494	324	1,702	140	34,180	2	5	2	112	9	2	None	3,818	3,283
23,	3,463	286	1,674	116	32,220	1	12	0	104	17	2	30	3,749	3,176
30,	3.161	374	1,599	113	32,510	2	14	2	103	1	2	None	3,535	2,965
February, 6,	3,280	None	1,535	108	31,180		...		104	12	0	None	3,282	2,797
13,	3.160	None	1,461	100	30,080		...		105	10	2	None	3,160	2,667
20,	3.080	None	1,457	111	29,380		...		92	11	2	None	3,080	2,468
27,	2,718	342	1,397	98	29,600	3	16	0	99	19	0	None	3,060	2,350
March. 6,	2.920	None	1,335	112	28,330		...		96	11	1	None	2.920	2,311
13,	2,815	None	1,305	134	29,070		...		100	4	2	None	2,815	2,227
20,	2.745	None	1,227	89	27,270		...		103	17	1	None	2,745	2,186
27,	2.321	338	1,205	84	27,990	3	16	0	92	7	2	None	2,659	2,125
April, 3,	2,477	None	1,147	128	25,140		...		99	8	0	None	2,477	1,810
10,	2,109	None	1,062	79	25,160		...		96	0	0	None	2,109	1,701
17,	2,082	None	1,059	59	23,600		...		86	17	0	None	2,082	1,570
24,	1,672	241	976	46	22,960	3	4	0	89	4	3	None	1,913	1,418
May, 1,	1.810	None	875	47	25,120		...		95	7	2	None	1,810	1,489
8,	1,632	None	809	65	21.450		...		81	10	0	None	1,632	1,344
15,	1,502	None	763	34	21,050		...		83	7	0	None	1,502	1,226

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 18th August, 1909, being a Meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council and of the District Committee in connection with the Refuse Destruction and Electric Lighting Works at Cambuslang. 18th August, 1909.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.
David J. Black.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
James Tonner.

Attending—

A. J. Abraham, Electrical Engineer.
George E. Marr, as representing the District Engineer.

Mr. Tonner was appointed chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the Joint Sub-Committee, of date 2nd June, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There was laid before the meeting a report by the Resident Engineer (Appendix), a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *Report by Resident Engineer*

The meeting having proceeded to consider the question as to the expediency or advisability of reducing the price per unit for lighting purposes, the Clerk submitted and read a letter from the Resident Engineer, stating his opinion that it would be a mistake to lower the price meantime. *Question of reducing price per unit for lighting purposes.*

The meeting, after consideration, agreed that the price should remain as at present, viz., 4d. per unit.

The Resident Engineer having again recommended the committee to advertise the advantages of electric lighting, the meeting remitted the matter to the Clerk and the Resident Engineer, with powers. *Agreed to advertise.*

Works Record.

A copy of the Works Record from the week ending 22nd May to 7th August forms Appendix II. to this minute.

Coal.—Acceptance of offer of Flemington Coal Company.

The Clerk stated that the various colliery owners in the district had been asked to offer for the supply of such quantity of coal as may be required for the works during the ensuing 12 months, and that only one offer had been received, viz., The Flemington Coal Company, for the supply of (1) single nuts for delivery during the year ending 31st July next, at 8s. 6d. per ton delivered at the works, and that he had accepted the offer. The meeting approved.

Report by Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Limited.

There were submitted to the meeting reports by the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Ltd., of examinations of Nos. 1 and 2 Lancashire boilers, both of which were satisfactory.

Report by Scottish Boiler Insurance and Engine Inspection Company, Limited.

There was submitted a report by the Scottish Boiler Insurance and Engine Inspection Company, Ltd., relating to an examination of engines Nos. 1 and 2 while at rest, which was satisfactory.

Another fatal accident at quarry near works.

The Clerk reported that a boy had recently met his death by falling into the quarry near the works, but that, as the place of the accident was not situated within the County Council's property, no question of the Council's liability for compensation could arise.

Repair of fences.—Report by District Engineer.

The Clerk further stated that, as he thought the committee might wish to be informed of the present condition of the fences apart from any question of legal obligation in the matter, he had asked the District Clerk to obtain from the District Engineer a report on the subject, and he now submitted the report, along with relative plan, for the consideration of the committee.

Remit to Sub-Committee.

The purport of the report having been explained to the committee, the meeting, after discussion, remitted the matter, for consideration and report, to the following sub-committee, viz. :—

David J. Black. A. G. Barns Graham.
Colonel Buchanan. William Love.
James Tonner.

Mr. Tonner to be chairman of the sub-committee, and two a quorum.

Accounts for year 1908-1909.—Report by Auditor.

The Clerk submitted the accounts for the year to 15th May, 1909, as audited, together with a report by the Auditor briefly setting out the results shown in the accounts and dealing with the question of depreciation and rating. The meeting remitted to the Clerk to confer with the Auditor on the points which call for explanation.

At the request of the Secretary for Scotland, it was agreed that the accounts should be bound with the County Accounts and sent to each member of the Council.

Further borrowing.

The Clerk submitted a statement showing the sum of £1,150 which for borrowing purposes required to be sanctioned by the Secretary for Scotland, to whom he was instructed to make the necessary application.

Current year's estimates.

There was also submitted a print of the current year's estimates in respect of the undertaking, of which the meeting approved, and agreed to recommend that the assessment to be imposed for the current year should be 3d. per £. It was explained that this amount was required mostly to wipe off a debit balance of previous years, and that unless any unexpected change of circumstances took place after this debit balance had been wiped off, the committee would be justified in assuming that the undertaking was self-supporting.

Salary to Resident Engineer.—Increase granted.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted synopsis of information received from other Local Authorities as to the remuneration of electrical engineers, and stated that he had sent a copy to each member of the committee (Appendix III). The meeting, after consideration, unanimously agreed that Mr. Abraham's salary be increased from £170 to £185 per annum as from and after 15th current.

APPENDIX I.

LANARK COUNTY COUNCIL.

Electricity and Destructor Works,
Bothwell Street,
Cambuslang, N.B., 3rd July, 1909.

The County Clerk,
Hamilton.

Dear Sir,

Last year I sent you a list comparing our working costs with stations of about the same output, and it was seen that our costs were below the average.

This year there is not a single station in the United Kingdom of about the same output with the working costs anything like so low as Cambuslang. I have therefore made out a list comparing Cambuslang with 13 stations which, with two or three exceptions, are selling far more units than Cambuslang, yet our working costs are the lowest of any, and *very* much lower than most. Below will be found a few instances of *large* stations which cannot beat our costs :—

Town.	Units Sold.	Works' Costs.	Total Costs.
Cambuslang, ...	102,871	1·11	1·85
Dover, ...	1,175,162	1·63	1·97
Eastbourne, ...	1,253,339	1·58	1·99
Hastings, ...	821,671	1·85	2·59
Willesden, ...	2,004,253	1·41	1·84

There are a great many more examples to be found in the time tables of stations selling from about 300,000 to 600,000 units, and having higher working costs than this little station.

I regret to inform you that the District Committee will not light the streets all night, and I was looking forward to this, because it would have helped to make the place self-supporting.

I beg to apply for my holiday in August.

Yours faithfully,

A. J. ABRAHAM,
Resident Engineer.

CAMBUSLANG RECORDS FOR YEAR ENDING MAY, 1909.—COMPARED WITH LAST YEAR'S RESULTS OF STATIONS OF ABOUT THE SAME SIZE BUT MOSTLY LARGER.

TOWN, ...	Working without Battery. Cambuslang.	Working with Battery, Cambuslang.	Broughty Ferry.	Cromer.	Dorking.	Fareham.	Horsham.	Rhyl.	Wishaw.	Chislehurst.	Queenstown.	Leatherhead.	Lymington.	Brechin.	Windermere.
Full years of working, ...	2nd	3rd	5th	4th	3rd	17th	6th	6th	2nd	8th	7th	5th	8th	7th	14th
Maximum Load on Feeders, ...	80 K.W.	93 K.W.	84 K.W.	131 K.W.	139 K.W.	85 K.W.	180 K.W.	244 K.W.	161 K.W.	92 K.W.	94 K.W.	83 K.W.	102 K.W.	105 K.W.	136 K.W.
Capital Expenditure, ...	£16,292	£16,695	£18,998	£31,280	£36,995	£12,888	£31,231	£27,904	£19,829	£26,806	£27,206	£29,342	£36,348	£32,513	£41,671
Total Revenue, ...	£1,180	£1,375	£2,105	£1,986	£2,949	£2,218	£3,789	£3,057	£2,165	£3,220	£2,172	£2,246	£2,812	£1,877	£3,947
Total Costs, ...	£1,152	£795	£880	£1,086	£1,312	£1,254	£1,908	£2,181	£1,705	£1,997	£1,973	£1,149	£1,334	£1,030	£1,886
Gross Profit, ...	£28	£580	£1,225	£900	£1,637	£964	£1,881	£876	£460	£1,223	£199	£1,097	£1,478	£847	£2,061
Units Sold, ...	77,341	102,871	102,102	91,269	121,028	97,926	195,341	171,617	205,900	105,977	128,321	101,771	121,400	116,991	131,651
Average Price obtained, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pence per Unit Sold—															
(1) Private Supply, ...	...	3·57	5·66	4·68	4·99	6·03	5·04	4·44	2·39	6·84	4·21	5·06	4·45	3·69	6·74
(2) Public Lamps, ...	2d.	2d.	2·02	2·75	...	3·84	4·00	2·89	2·45	...	2·45	...	3·05	2·51	2·46
(3) Total Supply, ...	2·70	2·71	4·95	4·47	4·99	5·20	4·63	4·08	2·34	6·84	3·88	5·06	4·23	3·40	6·22
Cost per Unit Sold—															
(1) Coal and other Fuel, ...	·23	·06	·68	·90	·87	·90	·80	1·01			1·33	·40	·58	·66	1·43
(2) Oil, Waste, Water, Stores,	·21	·11	·05	·16	·03	·12	·11	·16			·04	·10	·04	·09	·09
(3) Wages of Workmen, ...	·89	·45	·56	·47	·47	·65	·56	·29			·75	·51	·29	·24	·49
(4) Repairs and Maintenance,	1·22	·49	·02	·31	·30	·62	·25	·86	Energy purchased.	Energy purchased.	1·34	·81	·53	·30	·46
(5) Works Costs, ...	2·55	1·11	1·31	1·84	1·67	2·29	1·72	2·32			3·46	1·82	1·44	1·29	2·47
(6) Rent, Rates and Taxes,	·33	·19	·11	·10	·16	·14	·20	·07	Nil.	·18	·17	·19	·23	·11	·24
(7) Management Salaries, Office, and Insurance,	·69	·55	·65	·91	·77	·64	·42	·66	·38	·26	·06	·70	·97	·71	·73
(8) Total Costs, ...	3·57	1·85	2·07	2·85	2·60	3·07	2·34	3·05	1·99	4·52	3·69	2·71	2·64	2·11	3·44

Note.—Although Wishaw has sold 205,900 units to our 102,871, it will be noted that their Total Costs per unit sold are 1·99d. as against our Total Costs of 1·85d. This proves that we are cheaper to generate ourselves than to buy from the Clyde Valley as Wishaw are doing.

All figures given above are taken from the Tables of the "Electrical Times," 8 Breams Buildings, Chancery Lane, London, E.C., and can be verified by writing the editor for a list. Price 2d.

APPENDIX II.

WORKS RECORD.

Week ending 1909.	Units generated, Refuse.	Units generated, Coal, &c.	Units used Street Lighting.	Units used in Station.	Water used. Gallons.	Coal used.			Refuse destroyed.			Units bought from Clyde Valley.	Total Units generated.	Total Units generated corresponding Week last year.
						Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.	Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.			
May 22,	719	90	None.	32	18,970	1	18	2	106	12	2	None.	809	1,177
,, 29,	800	None.	None.	32	22,370	None.			109	10	2	None.	800	462
June 5,	756	None.	None.	29	17,400	None.			98	10	2	None.	756	496
,, 12,	507	None.	None.	20	17,770	None.			81	10	1	None.	507	421
,, 19,	490	None.	None.	27	18,940	None.			80	19	2	None.	490	382
* ,. 26,	None.	479	None.	33	29,480	9	16	0	63	5	2	None.	479	335
July 3,	545	None.	None.	28	26,220	1	4	0	100	1	2	None.	545	339
,, 10,	459	None.	None.	22	13,180	None.			75	14	0	None.	459	368
,, 17,	436	None.	None.	21	11,170	None.			65	18	2	None.	436	366
,, 24,	392	None.	None.	23	10,360	None.			55	14	2	None.	392	374
,, 31,	446	None.	None.	27	11,160	None.			69	11	2	None.	446	512
Aug. 7,	979	169	725	44	16,230	2	5	2	83	18	0	None.	1,148	1,156

* Boiler inspection.

A. J. ABRAHAM.

APPENDIX

COUNTY OF

CAMBUSLANG ELECTRICITY AND

SYNOPSIS OF INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM LOCAL AUTHORITIES

1 NAME OF LOCAL AUTHORITY.	2 Maximum Capacity of Plant in Kilowatts.	3 Quantity Generated in B.T. Units during last year.	4 Salary.	5 Length of Service.
Bangor, Borough of,	440	200,000	£190	10 years
Bray U.D.C.,	150	...	£220	4 years
Colwyn Bay and Colwyn U.D.C.,	420	325,842	£230	8 years
Elland U.D.C.,	280	298,140	£156	4 years
Fareham U.D.C.,	200	120,000	£175	13 years
Gray's Shurrock U.D.C.,	400	276,521	£225	8 years
Leek U.D.C.,	420	350,000	£200	6 years
Longton, Borough of,	300 increasing this year to 600	273,401	£500 including Gas Dept.	10 years
Maidenhead, Borough of,	555	510,000	£300	7 years
Rhyl U.D.C.,	490	212,000	£170	7 years
Tonbridge U.D.C.,	270 and 50 storage battery	210,840	£200 rising to £250 by annual increments of £25	2¼ years
Wrexham, Borough of,	720	525,000	£225	2 years
Motherwell, Burgh of,	1,910	2,634.085	£275	5 years Chief, and 1½ years Assistant
Oban, Burgh of,	117	136,509	£150	2 years
Partick, Burgh of,	1,450 1,000 in course of erection = 2,450	2,510,497	£350	2 years
Wishaw, Burgh of,	400	249,000	£175	4 years
Lanark County Council (Cambuslang),	200	117,845	£170	4½ years

NOTE.—U.D.C. = Urban

III.

LANARK.

REFUSE DESTRUCTOR WORKS.

AS TO REMUNERATION OF CHIEF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS.

6 Is he responsible for Extensions of Main and Station Plant?	7 Are Works combined with any Refuse Destructor Works? If so, does his duty include the management of such Works?	8 Has he an Assistant? If so, state Salary.	9 Does he devote whole time to duties, or is he allowed— (1) To do outside consulting work? or (2) To give instruction to pupils at a premium?	10 Any other Information.
Yes	Yes	No	Allowed to do outside consulting work. Premiums for pupils paid to Local Authority	Also Gas-works Manager, and as such receives additional remuneration
Yes	No	Yes. £60	Do. do.	
Yes	No	No	Whole time devoted to duties, but allowed to give instruction to pupils	
Yes	Yes	2 Shift Engineers, 32/6 per week	Whole time devoted exclusively to duties	
Yes	No	No	No consulting work, but allowed to instruct pupils	
Yes	Yes	Yes. £2 per week	Allowed to do outside consulting work and instruct pupils	
Yes	No	Two. £104 and £65	No consulting work, but allowed to instruct pupils	
Yes	No	Two. One at £160, Electricity; and one at £62 10/-, Gas	Do. do.	Advance of salary presently under consideration
Yes	No	No	Whole time devoted exclusively to duties	
Yes	Yes	...	Allowed to do consulting work, and with Committee's sanction to give instruction to pupils	
Yes	No	£90 per annum	Whole time, but allowed to have two premium pupils	
Yes	Yes	Yes. Two. 45/- and 35/- per week respectively	Whole time. Has one pupil. The Corporation receives half of pupil's premium	
Yes, has carried out extensions involving over £50,000	No	Yes. £156	No definite agreement	
Yes	No	Yes. £80	Whole time devoted exclusively to duties	
Yes	Yes	No	Do. do.	
Yes	No. Superintends Tramway Supply	No	Do. do.	
Yes	Yes	2 Shift Engineers, 36/- and 30/- per week	Is allowed to do consulting work with sanction of Committee	

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 23rd June, 1909, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 23rd June, 1909.

Present—

George Fraser.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Walter J. Grant.	Wm. Neilson.
George Green.	John D. Scott.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	Colonel King Stewart.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.
James Logan.	James C. Hope Vere.
A. D. Mack.	Thomas F. Wilson.
Wm. M. Marshall.	James Stewart.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 5th May, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were signed by the chairman. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The minutes of the Joint-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council and the Lower Ward District Committee, appointed with reference to the Glasgow Corporation Bill, 1909, of date 4th June, 1909 (Appendix), having been submitted, were approved. *Glasgow Corporation Bill.*

The Chairman reported that, along with the Convener and Clerk and representatives of the County Councils' Association, he had had an interview with the Secretary for Scotland and the Lord Advocate, when the proposals of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Bill, so far as affecting the interests of counties in Scotland, were fully discussed, and the Secretary for Scotland and Lord Advocate promised to consider the various points. The meeting resolved to continue the matter in the hands of the Chairman, Convener, and Clerk. *Housing, Town Planning, &c., Bill.*

Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill, No. 2.

The Clerk reported that in the Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill, as proposed to be amended, the obligation of the Chief Constables' Club to restrict the objects of the Bill had been given effect to, but that the second reading had been blocked by the Government.

Temperance (Scotland) Bill.

The Clerk reported that in the Temperance (Scotland) Bill, as amended by the Standing Committee of the House of Commons, effect was given to the amendments proposed by the committee.

Electric Lighting Acts (Amendment) Bill.

The Clerk reported that the Electric Lighting Acts (Amendment) Bill, as passed by the House of Lords, did not contain the clause which had been adjusted with the Scottish Office and Board of Trade to enable a District Committee to buy a supply of electricity for public lighting, but that this clause would be inserted in the House of Commons.

The meeting thereafter proceeded to consider the following public Bills so far as affecting the interests of the county:—

Finance Bill.

The meeting remitted to the Chairman and Clerk to take any steps in connection with the Finance Bill that they should consider necessary to secure exemption from duty of motor vehicles belonging to Local Authorities, and the amendment of any other provisions affecting their interests.

Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill.

The Clerk submitted notes on the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill and the Tuberculosis Order of 1909, which he had prepared, and notes prepared by the Medical Officer, and the meeting, after consideration, appointed the following representatives, with powers, to act along with representatives of the Executive and Public Health Committee as a joint-committee, namely:—

D. C. Barr.	William Neilson.
George Fraser.	James Stewart.
Robert Lambie.	J. C. Hope Vere.

Burial Places (Exemption from Rates) (Scotland) Bill.

The committee approved of the principles of the Burial Places (Exemption from Rates) (Scotland) Bill, and instructed the Clerk to take any action he should consider necessary.

House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill.

The committee, after discussion of the proposals of the House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill, resolved to continue its further consideration.

Labour Exchanges.

The Clerk submitted a copy of the Labour Exchanges Bill as introduced by the President of the Board of Trade.

APPENDIX.

JOINT SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* GLASGOW CORPORATION BILL.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Friday, 4th June, 1909, being a Joint Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council and of a Sub-Committee of the District Committee of the Lower Ward in regard to the Glasgow Corporation Bill. 4th June, 1909.

Present—

James R. Auld.	George Green.
Walter J. Grant.	William Spiers.

Attending—

Dr. Hill, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.
John A. Warren, of Messrs. Warren & Stuart, C.E.
W. S. Bruce, Sanitary Inspector of the Lower Ward.

Mr. William Spiers in the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the Joint Sub-Committee, of date 21st and 23rd April, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There were also submitted a copy of the minutes of the sub-committee of the District Committee of the Lower Ward of date 7th May. *Minutes of Sub-Committee of District Committee.*

There were laid before the meeting estimates prepared by Messrs. Warren & Stuart, C.E., showing the estimated cost of the interception and treatment of the sewage from the Tollcross, &c., area at Sewage Disposal Works at Westthorn, and of the probable rates of assessment involved, and also of the cost of alternative schemes of intercepting and of discharge of the sewage at the Corporation's Dalmarnock Works, prints of which had been sent to each member of the Joint Sub-Committee. *Estimates of alternative schemes.*

The meeting, after full consideration, expressed the opinion that it might be advisable that the District Committee should themselves construct works for the treatment of the sewage from the area in question, especially as the estimates submitted showed that this would be the most economical scheme to adopt. *Joint Sub-Committee's view.*

The meeting instructed the Clerk, in the event of the District Committee of the Lower Ward adopting this view, to inform the Town-Clerk of Glasgow of their decision and at the same time to convey to the Corporation the thanks of this committee for their courtesy in the matter. *Instruction to Clerk.*

14th July, 1909. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 14th July, 1909, being a Special Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark.

Present—

Duncan C. Barr.	William M. Marshall.
James H. Fenton.	Peter M. Martin.
George Fraser.	Wm. Neilson.
George Green.	John D. Scott.
Robert Lambie.	William Spiers.
James Logan.	William Templeton.
A. D. Mack.	Thomas F. Wilson.

Chairman. In the absence of Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, Mr. George Green was called to the chair.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, which had been convened on the authority of the chairman, from whom he intimated an apology for absence.

House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill. The Clerk explained that he had called the meeting to obtain the instructions of the committee in regard to the action to be taken on the House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill. He submitted copy of a letter which, as the matter seemed to be urgent, he had addressed to the Under Secretary for Scotland, in the following terms :—

13th July, 1909.

Sir,

HOUSE LETTING AND RATING (SCOTLAND) BILL.

The attention of the County Council of this County has been directed to the provisions of the House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill, and I have been directed to communicate to you their views, with a request that you may be so good as lay them before the Secretary for Scotland and the Lord Advocate.

The view of my constituents is, that if the proposals of the Bill are for the advantage of the inhabitants of burghs, they will be equally of advantage to those of counties, especially in a district such as this where there are what are practically large towns under the administration of the County Council. In this connection I may mention that, out of a total population of 293,585, there are 251,232 resident in populous places, with from 1,000 to over 30,000 inhabitants, there being 70 of such populous places. I am, therefore, to respectfully suggest that amendments should be inserted in the Bill at the appropriate stage, providing that the provisions of the Bill should apply compulsorily in special lighting, drainage, water, and scavenging districts in counties having population equivalent to whatever may be the limit in the Bill fixed in regard to burghs, and that an optional power be given in addition to adopt as regards the remainder of county areas.

In this connection I am, however, to state that while my County Council make this proposal as being desirable in a county such as this, they are willing to recognise that other counties may not desire that the provisions of the Bill should be made mandatory, and therefore will not object if in counties the provisions be made optional in all cases.

Under Clause 12 of the Bill, whether the above proposal is given effect to or not, the County Council in respect of their powers to assess in Police Burghs, will be subject to the provisions for collection of assessments. In this connection, I have been asked to draw the attention of the Secretary for Scotland and the Lord Advocate to a difficulty that seems to arise under the Bill as it presently stands. Under Clause 15 an Owner is entitled to a rebate of assessments in respect of any period during which a dwelling-house has been unoccupied in the financial year. No provision is, however, made for the case, which is a common one, of a dwelling-house being unoccupied when the Valuation Roll is made up, but which, during the financial year, may become occupied.

I read Clause 12 as limiting the power of the assessing authority to houses that are owned *and occupied* when the roll is made up. Accordingly, an owner might be receiving rent during a considerable period of the financial year in respect of houses for which he could not be asked to make any contribution to the rates.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

The meeting approved of the action taken by the Clerk, and remitted to him to take any further action necessary.

Electric Lighting Acts (Amendment) Bill.

The Clerk reported that the Clause agreed to on behalf of the County Council with the Scottish Office and Board of Trade had been put down by Mr. Tennant, on behalf of the Board of Trade, for the committee stages of the House of Commons.

The Clerk directed attention to an amendment of Clause 22, also put down by Mr. Tennant, which appeared to be inimical to the interests of the County Council, and the meeting instructed him to direct the attention of the Scottish Office thereto.

4th August, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th August, 1909, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County of Lanark.

Present—

James H. Fenton.	W. M. Marshall.
George Green.	Peter M. Martin.
Walter J. Grant.	Col. Dennistoun Mitchell.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	John D. Scott.
Robert Lambie.	James Stewart.
James Logan.	Col. King Stewart.
A. D. Mack.	William Templeton.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Chairman.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the committee, of dates 23rd June and 14th July, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

House-Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill.

The Clerk reported that he had been in communication with the Secretary for Scotland, the Lord Advocate, and the Members of Parliament for the County, with regard to a proposal that the House-Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill should apply not only to Burghs but to Special Districts in Counties having populations corresponding to those specified in the Bill in the case of Burghs.

The meeting, after discussion, approved of this proposal, and remitted to the Chairman, the Convener of the County, and the Vice-Convener, to take such steps in the matter as they might consider advisable.

Ice-cream shops. — Letter from Mr. William Good.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting letters, of dates 24th June and 30th July, which he had received from Mr. William Good, Clerk to the Deacons' Court of Chapelhall U.F. Church, drawing attention to the evils which, in their opinion, arise from the manner in which ice-cream shops are conducted, and urging upon the County Council to take such steps with a view to further powers being obtained for dealing with them. The Clerk stated that he had replied that the County Council had had this question more than once under consideration, and that they were fully alive to the expediency for further powers being obtained.

Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.— Request by Middle Ward District Committee.

There was intimated to the meeting a request by the District Committee of the Middle Ward that the adoptive sections of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, named in the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, be made applicable within the Middle Ward District.

The meeting meantime delayed consideration of this request, and instructed the Clerk to communicate with the other District Committees with a view to ascertaining whether they desired that the sections referred to should be adopted within their respective districts.

8th September, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 8th September, 1909, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

James H. Fenton.	Peter M. Martin.
George Fraser.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Walter J. Grant.	James Stewart.
Robert Lambie.	Colonel King Stewart.
A. D. Mack.	William Templeton.
William M. Marshall.	James C. Hope Vere.

There were also present the following members of a Committee of the County Road Board appointed in connection with the Development and Road Improvement Funds Bill, viz. :—

James Anderson. Colonel Buchanan.
John Watt.

Chairman.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 4th August, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Minutes of joint-meeting re Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill.

The minutes of a joint-meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee and Sub-Committees of the Executive and Public Health Committees, appointed with reference to the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, of date 4th August, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, were submitted.

Sub-Committee re Shop Hours Act.

The minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee on the Shop Hours Act, of dates 13th May and 4th August (Appendix I.). which had also been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of.

Development and Road Improvement Funds Bill.

The Clerk submitted a copy of the Bill, and relative memorandum and notes which he had prepared thereon, copies of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

After full discussion and consideration, the committee approved generally of the notes prepared by the Clerk, and submitted in draft, and authorised him to have the notes printed, subject to certain verbal alterations, and copies issued to other County Councils in Scotland and to such Members of Parliament as he should consider advisable. The committee also remitted to the Clerk to prepare amendments, and to take such action as he should consider necessary to secure that (1) the improvement of existing and not the construction of new roads should be the primary object of the road improvement proposals of the Bill; (2) the Road Improvement Fund should be administered by a Central Authority and not by each county; (3) it should be compulsory on every Road Authority to send up annually a schedule of their requirements; (4) it should be compulsory on the Central Authority to consider the schedules and administer the fund on an equitable basis; and (5) the proceedings of the Central Authority should be reported to Parliament.

The committee were of the opinion that the Scottish proportion of the Development Fund should be allocated to and administered in Scotland, but resolved meantime to continue further consideration of this part of the Bill.

Housing, Town Planning, &c., Bill.

The Clerk having submitted a memorandum on the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Bill. which had been submitted to the Secretary for Scotland (Appendix II.), and reported the present position and the action taken by the sub-committee, and also submitted a report of the discussion on the committee stage in the House of Commons, raised on amendments put down on behalf of the County Council by Mr. Mitchell-Thomson, M.P., the committee resolved, in view of the explanations and assurances given by the President of the Local Government Board, to take no further action meantime.

House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill.

The Clerk having reported the action taken by the sub-committee in regard to this Bill, the committee approved thereof, and again remitted to the Chairman, Convener, and Clerk to consider as to what further steps should be taken in the matter, with powers to take any action they might deem necessary.

Glasgow Water Supply.

The Clerk submitted a communication, of date 11th August, 1909, from the Town-Clerk of Renfrew, but the meeting, after consideration, resolved to take no action meantime as regards the proposal to approach the Corporation until they obtained more definite information as to the financial position of the water undertaking and the ratio borne by the rates without to those within the city.

APPENDIX I.

SHOP HOURS ACT, 1904.

At LANARK, and within the County Hall, there, upon Thursday, 13th May, 1909, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed with reference to the Shop Hours Act 1904. 13th May, 1909.

Present—

JAMES H. FENTON. | A. D. MACK.
WILLIAM NEILSON. | ROBERT LAMBIE.
JAMES STEWART.

Chairman.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Further communication from Merchants' Association for Bellshill and Mossend district.

The Clerk having intimated that he had received a further communication from the Merchants' Association for Bellshill and Mossend district, enclosing a petition which appeared to be signed by at least two-thirds of the shopkeepers of certain trades or businesses, the meeting, after consideration, authorised the Clerk to proceed to prepare a register of shops, and to give notice of the intention of the County Council to make an Order, in the manner prescribed by the Act and Regulations made thereunder.

4th August, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th August, 1909, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee on the Shop Hours Act.

Present—

James H. Fenton. | Robert Lambie.
Walter J. Grant. | Col. Dennistoun Mitchell.
James Stewart.

Chairman.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 13th May, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Proposed Closing Order for Bellshill and Mossend.—Objections.

The Clerk stated that, in pursuance of the resolution adopted by the sub-committee at their last meeting, he had given the notice of intention to make an Order as required by the regulations made under the Act, and he submitted the following communications which he had received since the publication of the notice, viz. :—

(1) Petition against Order signed by 21 drapers ;
(2) Petition against Order signed by 4 ironmongers ;
(3) Letters from—
  (*a*) Mrs. Ashforth, grocer ;
  (*b*) Mrs. Murray, grocer ; and
  (*c*) William Mill, shoemaker,
  objecting to the Order so far as affecting their businesses.

The Clerk stated that it was evident from the petitions presented by the drapers and ironmongers, that the required two-thirds majority in favour of the Order could not be obtained, so far as these trades were concerned, and that, therefore, if it was proceeded with it could only apply to—

(1) Grocers ;
(2) Shoemakers ;
(3) Jewellers ; and
(4) Barbers ;

assuming that, on a plebiscite being taken, a two-thirds majority in each of these classes was obtained.

Deputation from Bellshill and Mossend Merchants' Association.

The Clerk, having explained the further procedure which would require to be followed in the event of the sub-committee deciding to proceed with the Order, stated that, on his invitation, representatives from the Bellshill and Mossend Merchants' Association were in attendance, and the meeting, before coming to a determination, agreed to hear what further views they might have to submit to the sub-committee.

Thereupon Messrs. W. H. Trenwith, George Hunter, and John Reid, as representing the Merchants' Association, were introduced to the meeting.

Order not to be proceeded with meantime.

The chairman having stated to the deputation the position of matters, the members of the deputation expressed the view that, in the circumstances, it would be unadvisable to proceed further with the Order meantime, and in this the sub-committee concurred, and resolved to recommend the Parliamentary Bills Committee accordingly.

Shettleston and Tollcross Closing Order. — Contraventions by shopkeepers. — Appointment of inspector.

The Clerk having stated that several complaints had been received as to certain shopkeepers in the Shettleston and Tollcross District failing to observe the provisions of the Closing Order applicable to that district, the meeting agreed, with a view to the enforcement of the Order, to recommend the appointment of the local sergeant of police, Mr. Andrew Ross, as inspector for the purposes of the Shop Hours Acts, 1892-1904.

The Clerk stated that he had consulted the Chief Constable in the matter, who had no objection to such an appointment being made.

Request on behalf of Shettleston and Tollcross drapers that Order should be revoked.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from Mr. D. R. Marshall, Shettleston, stating that the drapers now desired that the Closing Order, so far as affecting their business, should be revoked. The meeting agreed to continue this request for further consideration.

APPENDIX II.

In Parliament.
Session 1909.

HOUSING, TOWN PLANNING, &c., BILL.

STATEMENT

FOR THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

There is submitted herewith copy notes on the Bill as introduced last session, which are still applicable in the main to the provisions of the present Bill. The only matter of material importance in the present Bill, which was not in the Bill as amended in Committee last session, is the provision in Clause 30, which makes it obligatory upon the Local Authority to cause to be made a quinquennial survey of every house within the County rented at £16 or under, and to cause a register thereof and of the particulars set forth in the Bill to be kept.

As the notes deal with the proposals of the Bill in detail, and refer in many cases to points more of draughtsmanship than principle, which can be put right by suitable amendments, the present statement is confined to the matters which the County Council deem of salient importance. These will be referred to as briefly as possible.

The main purpose of the Bill (apart from the provisions as to town planning) is to confer further powers upon the Local Authorities for enabling them to deal with the problems that arise in connection with the housing of the working classes. This is a matter that closely affects the County of Lanark, and any proposals that would

make for an improvement in the present conditions of housing will have the sympathetic approval of the Council.

The population of Lanarkshire is about 300,000, and in matters of public health and other local administration that population is wholly dependent upon the County Council and its District Committees. Part of the County is rural, with a population engaged principally in agricultural pursuits, but the great bulk of the population is engaged in other industries, principally coal mining. In the rural parts detached dwellings of the usual agricultural character prevail, but in the industrial centres the workers reside in rows of colliery houses. In many cases these rows form small towns. Again, there have grown up what are really large towns grouped in the neighbourhood of the extensive coal fields and the seats of the iron and steel industries. These villages and towns range from 1,000 up to 30,000 inhabitants, there being at least twelve such places with populations between 5,000 and 30,000. Many of these towns, though for the most part modern, found their nucleus in old villages where the usual conditions of old dwellings and narrow spaces prevail to some extent.

During recent years (since 1898) building by-laws have been in operation whereby the District Committees exercise supervision over the sanitary aspects of all dwelling-houses—plans are lodged and approved before the buildings are commenced, and during the erection Inspectors visit. Modern dwellings may be looked upon as fairly satisfactory, although a good many one-apartment dwellings have been built. There are, however, a large number of old houses, especially in mining villages, where the structural arrangements are antiquated—for they were built at a time when no special precautions were taken for the prevention of dampness—and the window area is small.

The inhabitants consist of a not inconsiderable part of persons not natives, there being in particular a population of about 4,000 Poles or Lithuanians, many of whom are ignorant of English.

Much can and is being done under the powers of the Public Health Acts to deal with actual cases of nuisance and insanitation, but it is admitted that the housing conditions stand in need of improvement, and, as these conditions affect so materially the question of public health and the general well-being of the community, the Council welcome the proposals of the Bill, as calculated to bring about an improvement.

The present Housing of the Working Classes Acts have been found defective, and their operation has been practically suspended in the county. A considerable number of old houses were dealt with under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, but the procedure was so cumbersome, and the result so unsatisfactory, that no representations have been made by the Medical Officer of Health for several years. An instance might be mentioned where the Middle Ward District Committee failed to obtain a Closing Order, or Demolition Order, after having gone through the usual legal proceedings in the Sheriff Court at Airdrie.

One of the chief difficulties was removed by the Act of 1903, Section 8, which provides for a Closing Order being granted without the issue of any previous notice under the Public Health Act. Unfortunately, however, neither this Act, nor that of 1900, was made applicable to Scotland or Ireland. The proposals, therefore, contained in the Bill, more particularly Clauses 16 and 17, are of the utmost importance.

The Council will bring before the House of Commons amendments in detail which they consider necessary for making the Bill effective in counties where the circumstances differ from those prevailing in burghs, to which the Housing Acts have in the past been mainly applicable, but they desire at this stage to refer to the following questions of principle :—

I. Application of Part I. of the Housing and Working Classes Act, 1890, to Counties in Scotland.

Part I. of the Act of 1890 confers powers upon a burgh local authority to deal with built-on areas which, from their general

characteristics, constitute a "slum" district. This part of the Act does not at present apply in counties, and the Bill proposes to continue the exclusion. From what has been said above, it will be obvious that, at any rate in the industrial counties in Scotland, there must exist now or in the future parts of villages or towns where the provisions of this part of the Act should be enforced.

The Council accordingly respectfully represent that the exclusion should no longer apply. At the same time they recognise that in some Counties the conditions are so dissimilar from Lanarkshire that this part of the Act would be inapplicable at present. Conditions, however, alter with time, and accordingly what the Council suggest is that Part I. of the Act of 1890 as amended by the present Bill should be made adoptive in Counties in Scotland. This would permit of the Councils of these Counties such as Lanarkshire, who desire now to have the powers of Part I. of the Act conferred upon them, securing this, leaving it open to other Counties to avail themselves of them should circumstances hereafter emerge which call for their exercise.

II. The Quinquennial Survey.

It is pointed out that the difficulties attending an inspection and survey such as is proposed will be greater in Counties than in Burghs, and while it may be quite reasonable, assuming that the principle is approved, that surveys should take place in populous areas in Counties as in Burghs, there seems to be grounds for suggesting that the reason for a survey of houses in purely rural districts is not so apparent as to justify the great trouble and expense it would involve.

The suggestion is therefore thrown out that either the survey should not be insisted on in County districts or that it should be limited there to populous areas such as those within Special Districts, which may be accepted as embracing all the areas to which the purposes of the Acts are likely to apply.

III. Powers of the Local Government Board, &c.

Very extensive powers are proposed to be conferred upon the Local Government Board which would enable them to compel Local Authorities to enter upon large and costly schemes. It is true that, while in the application of the Act to England the Local Government Board are the paramount authority, in Scotland the Board have to call in the intervention of the Courts (and in certain cases of the Lord Advocate also) when it is proposed to compel a Local Authority to take action, still, it is obvious that very drastic powers of compulsitor on Local Authorities are proposed by the Bill, and looking to the financial obligations that will follow, or even to the expense that Local Authorities may be put to in successfully resisting the carrying out of schemes which they do not approve, it is for consideration whether the somewhat excessive right of compulsitor should not be curtailed. It is not suggested that this should be in the direction of restricting the power of compelling a defaulting Local Authority to take action in matters relating to good sanitation or the public health, such as questions of insanitary dwellings, &c., but rather that it should be left to the discretion of Local Authorities to be the judges of whether large schemes of improvement of areas, reconstruction schemes, and the provision of housing schemes should be undertaken or not.

IV. Methods of Appeal.

It is submitted that the Bill requires reconsideration in regard to the methods and procedure regulating appeals. For instance appeals are competent under different parts of the Bill to (1) the Sheriff, (2) the Local Government Board, and (3) the Court of Session. In certain events alternative and double appeals are possible. It might be convenient that the provisions of the Bill on this point should be reconsidered with a view to future simplicity of procedure.

V.—Town Planning.

This part of the Bill is of the most vital importance to County Councils.

The intention is a laudable one. It aims at securing that the environs of populous places, where continued growth may be anticipated, shall be subject to such reasonable regulations as will prevent the haphazard erection of buildings, and provide for the laying out of regular streets and the other amenities which are necessary in a well-considered scheme of town planning.

The real difficulty, however, arises as to what authority should be responsible for carrying the intention of the Bill into effect.

It is proposed that the Local Government Board may sanction a town-planning scheme to be carried into effect by a Local Authority in relation to any land within or *in the neighbourhood of its area.*

This proposal raises the whole difficulty. Under the Bill it would apparently be competent for a County Council to be entrusted with a scheme which would entail an interference with lands within the boundaries of a burgh. This is, however, inconceivable in practice. It is, therefore, apparent that any encroachment by one authority on the area of another authority will, if the Bill passes in its present shape, in practice mean that a burgh authority is to be allowed to interfere in the area of a county. It is submitted that this raises a point of supreme importance as affecting the legitimate rights of counties and burghs.

It cannot be alleged that, in the modern condition of local government, counties are at a disadvantage as compared with burghs in administering populous areas. On the contrary, it is submitted that they already possess powers sufficient for all practical purposes, and the suggestion of the Bill that a burgh authority should be allowed to interfere in an area outside their legitimate jurisdiction is one that should therefore be strenuously resisted.

If such an idea received the *imprimatur* of the Legisture, it will mean that areas in the environment of the burghs will be neglected, with the result that insanitary areas may arise, a condition of things neither in the interests of the public nor the burghal municipalities. It cannot be expected that County Councils will devote their energies, as they have in the past, to provide efficient administration in such areas if they know that at any moment they are liable to be dispossessed of them by the burgh, whose claim to extension would be incontrovertible if they were able to show that by regulating the administration of such areas they had earmarked them as legitimate future extensions of the burgh boundaries.

Most burghs will, it may be expected, be prepared to undertake schemes of town planning in areas in their vicinity, as to do so will subject them to no real financial liability or expense, and the adoption of such schemes will afford them a pretext for ultimately. if and when the purpose serves, laying claim to such areas as offshoots of the burgh.

The danger to be apprehended is that the Bill may be looked upon as meaning that County Councils must wait to see whether the burgh elects to formulate a town-planning scheme in any of the county areas. If they do, there is no need for a County Council to concern themselves, as, sooner or later, that area will fall to the burgh. Meantime the inhabitants of the area in question will suffer from the want of efficient administration in such important matters as public health and sanitary administration. and the conveniences of lighting, scavenging, &c.

The County Council is anxious to, and has, in the past, done everything in its power to provide good administration in the areas committed to its charge. Under the Local Government Act of last session their powers have been increased in many aspects of Local Government relating to the wellbeing of populous areas. The inhabitants of those areas in most cases are content with and show preference for the county system of government which has

many advantages. Accordingly it is submitted that the Bill should, at the furthest, provide for nothing more than that a Burgh Local Authority may be allowed to intervene in a county area where it can be proved that the County Council has neglected its duty. To go any further in the direction indicated would inevitably result in County Councils losing interest in the administration of areas in the immediate vicinity of burghs, which would be most regrettable in the interests of the public.

County Offices.
Hamilton, 6th May, 1909.

6th October, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 6th October, 1909, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 6th October, 1909.

Present—

Duncan C. Barr.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Walter J. Grant.
George Green.
Robert Lambie.
James Logan.
A. D. Mack.
William M. Marshall.
Peter M. Martin.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
John D. Scott.
James Stewart.
William Templeton.
Thomas F. Wilson.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 8th September, 1909, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The committee, having considered the minutes of the sub-committee appointed on the subject of Fire Brigades, of dates 23rd June, 22nd and 29th September, 1909 (Appendix I.), with interim report by the Chief Constable and Clerk, and report by Mr. Pordage, and it having been explained by the sub-committee that their present proposals were that fire stations should meantime be provided only in the neighbourhood of Shettleston and at Bellshill and Larkhall, and that the question of providing a fourth station at Lanark and a motor tender should meantime be left over, resolved to report the minutes to the County Council for information, and to request that the matter be remitted back to them, with full powers. *Fire Brigades.*

The committee considered it desirable that the question of providing fire brigades in the Upper Ward should be again carefully considered.

The minutes of the sub-committee appointed in regard to the House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill, of dates 8th and 15th September (Appendix II.), which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, were approved of. *House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill.*

The sub-committee having further reported the action taken by them, and that they had failed to get the amendments proposed by the committee put down, and having explained the present position of the Bill and the amendments made, and still in course of being made, in the Committee stage of the House of Lords, the committee approved of the action taken by the sub-committee, and continued the remit to them. *Report by Sub-Committee.*

The sub-committee appointed in regard to the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Bill reported the action taken by them under the remit, and generally the effect of the amendments made on the Bill by the House of Lords. The committee approved of the action taken, and instructed the Clerk to call a meeting of the committee if he deemed it necessary that the House of Lords amendments should be further considered. *Housing, Town Planning, &c., Bill. Report by Sub-Committee.*

The committee continued consideration of the Board of Agriculture (Scotland) Bill. *Board of Agriculture (Scotland) Bill.*

The committee, having further considered the Development and Road Improvement Funds Bill, remitted to the Chairman, Convener, and Mr. Green, with the Clerk, to watch the progress of the Bill, and to take such action as they might consider necessary, with power, if they considered it advisable, to co-operate with other Highway Authorities to secure that the views of the committee as set forth in the notes prepared by the Clerk should be given effect to. *Development and Road Improvement Funds Bill.*

APPENDIX I.

FOR PRIVATE USE ONLY.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* FIRE BRIGADES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 23rd June, 1909, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed to consider the Scheme of Fire Brigades for the County. 23rd June, 1909.

Present—

George Fraser.	Robert Lambie.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.	William M. Marshall.
William Neilson.	John D. Scott.
James Stewart.	Thomas F. Wilson.

Attending—

Capt. Despard, Chief Constable.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 5th May, 1909, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting, and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted a report by the Chief Constable and himself (Appendix), and gave explanations thereof, and as to the value of property in the County liable to damage by fire. *Report by Chief Constable and Clerk.*

The meeting, after consideration and discussion, approved generally of the report, and remitted to the Chief Constable and Clerk to further consider the matter on the lines thereof, and if necessary to consult and obtain a report from an expert. *Report generally approved of.*

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

OUTLINE OF SUGGESTED SCHEME OF FIRE BRIGADES FOR THE COUNTY.

The existing fire establishments which may, under certain conditions, be made available in the County are, so far as known, as follows:—

I.—Burghs.

Glasgow.	Lanark (no engine).
Airdrie.	Motherwell.
Coatbridge.	Partick.
Govan.	Rutherglen.
Hamilton.	Wishaw.

II.—Voluntary Associations or Parish Councils.

Carluke.	Strathaven.
Larkhall.	Uddingston (no engine)

III.—Private Establishments.

Birkwood, Lesmahagow.
Coltness Iron Works.
Coltness House.
New Lanark Mills.
Caldercruix Paper Mills, Glengowan Printfield, Moffat Paper Mill, } No engine, but pressure sufficient without.
Chemical Works, Glasgow Road, Rutherglen.
Dyeworks, Eastfield, Rutherglen.

There are, in addition, a number of cases throughout the County where hose, stands, and barrows, &c., have been provided.

I. Burghs.

None of the Burgh Fire Brigades are at present under obligation to deal with fires occurring outside the boundaries of the Burgh, and it is understood that they attend outbreaks in the County only when an obligation to repay the expenditure has been granted by the owner or occupier of the premises at which the fire takes place.

This difficulty might now be got over, as the County Council have power under the Local Government Act of last session to make contributions to other Local Authorities, with a view to rendering the services of their Fire Brigades available in the County.

II. Voluntary Associations or Parish Councils.

The Brigades belonging to Voluntary Associations or under the control of Parish Councils are primarily intended for use within the area for which they have been established, but their services are doubtless made available where required within a convenient radius.

The County Council might be able to contribute to their cost, but on an understanding similar to that outlined in connection with the Burgh establishments, or, alternatively, the County Council might take over some of these establishments if efficient and likely to prove of use.

If contributions are made to Voluntary or Parish Brigades, they should submit to inspection periodically by the Fire Master or Fire Instructor.

III. Private Establishments.

Arrangements might be made with the owners of private establishments for the use of their Brigades within a convenient radius, subject to inspection as above if any contribution is made from the rates.

In considering possible arrangements with Burghs or other public or private establishments, regard would require to be had to the composition and efficiency of the respective establishments, and as to which information so far as available will be furnished.

The **population** of the County is apportioned thus:—

		Whereof in populous places with 1,000 or over inhabitants.	
Upper Ward, ...	42,727	(10)	25,635
Middle Ward, ...	196,018	(49)	184,953
Lower Ward, ...	54,840	(11)	40,644
	293,585	70	251,232

The **valuation** of property, excluding agricultural lands, minerals, and railways, is approximately, including the Burghs other than Glasgow, £2,327,174; and exclusive of the Burghs, £800,000.

The average **number of fires** over the last 5 years was:—

Upper Ward, ...	62
Middle Ward, ...	298
Lower Ward, ...	77

The average annual **damage** done amounted to £26.864.

Many of the populous places in the County are sufficiently large to justify the establishment of Fire Brigades for their particular locality. On the other hand, it happens that several of the large populous places are in such close proximity to each other as to permit, with the use of motor fire engines, of their and the rural areas which connect them being grouped in such a way as to allow of their being served from one common centre. If this could be arranged, there would be a large saving in cost and an increase in efficiency, by its being made possible to establish thoroughly efficient apparatus and appliances at each of the selected centres.

The establishment of Fire Brigades in the County, if they are to serve a **wide area,** is attended with difficulties which do not exist in Burghs, where there is generally a closely aggregated population with a consequent circumscribed area to provide for, and where gravitation water is available in every street generally at a pressure sufficient in itself to reach the highest building.

A wide area necessitates the use of **motor engines** on the grounds both of efficiency and economy, for experience proves that only by attacking a fire in its earlier stages can it be effectively controlled and heavy damage averted, and it is obvious that the multiplication of stations run on a smaller scale would add to the cost, especially of maintenance, and that at a sacrifice of efficiency. The experience of towns, such as Glasgow and Edinburgh, shows that the cost of upkeep is considerably less with motor than with horse engines ($\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{5}{7}$ths less), and the speed is doubled. The speed ratio in a wider area would be still more favourable to motors.

In forming areas it is desirable, even with motor engines, to avoid, as far as possible, heavy **gradients**, and for this reason districts on opposite sides of the Clyde should not in general be grouped to form one administrative area, for, in addition to heavy gradients, a number of the bridges are narrow, with the approaches at awkward angles.

It will obviously be necessary, in all populous places where water pipes are already laid, that **hydrants** should be fitted, and that provision be made for this in any future installations. The Act provides that the County Council may either themselves cause hydrants to be fitted or may arrange therefor with the Water Authority. The expense of fitting hydrants is necessarily a heavy item, but hydrants have been generally fitted in the Districts of the Lower Ward, and in the Middle Ward the District Committee, in 1906, obtained a report from their Water Superintendent, and, acting on it, authorised an expenditure of £2,123 for 700 water hydrants, spread over 3 years. Most of the work which was approved by the Standing Joint-Committee has been carried out, and there will accordingly be a large saving on this item. All new pipes laid in the Middle Ward are fitted with hydrants, for which provision is made in the original estimates.

In the Special Districts of the Upper Ward it is understood there are, in most instances, a few hydrants, but additional ones would be required. The average cost per hydrant over the Middle Ward was about £3, but as the pipes in the Special Districts of the Upper Ward are in general smaller, the cost of fitting hydrants would be considerably reduced.

If it is found that there are valuable buildings on high ground where the pressure from the mains is inadequate, it would be advisable to provide **tanks**, which could be filled from the main when necessary, and thence pumped by the engine. This is more satisfactory than using the canvas tank carried by fire engines.

Rapid **communication** between the local alarm stations and the Divisional Establishment, and between the various divisional stations, will be an important element in the efficiency of the scheme, and as ordinary postal telegraphic communication is available in the County only during post-office hours, *i.e.*, during daylight—when fewer fires occur, and is on the average less expeditious than telephonic communication, the latter is preferable on that ground as well as on other grounds. No difficulty would be experienced in linking up the various stations in the Lower and Middle Wards, but in the Upper Ward there are at present no telephone cables south of Douglas, and districts south of that could be communicated with at night only by messenger, or where there are railways in the vicinity, by a possible arrangement whereby the Railway Company's private systems might be made available.

The fact that gravitation **water** is not available for every house or building requires special provision, and this has in the past been met by provision of a "steamer," which could draw water from any available source. It is, however, claimed by certain makers of motor engines that their pumps are fitted to draw water from any source, and if such an engine were found to be suitable it would be possible to dispense with a separate "steamer."

Assuming that it were agreed to establish one or more thoroughly efficient Fire Establishments in the County, use might still be made of the existing Brigades included under II. and III. above, while mutual arrangements might be entered into with all or some of the Burghs for the interchange of facilities.

If Fire Brigades were set up in the County, the **establishments and arrangements** might be on the following lines :—

(*a*) One Fire Master, responsible for the whole of the arrangements in the County. If his duties permitted, the office might suitably be undertaken by the Chief Constable.

(*b*) An Instructor properly trained in the duties pertaining to Fire Brigade work. His duty would be to look after the apparatus, to drill the Brigades periodically, and generally to take an oversight of the Brigades. This Instructor might also be the Drill and Gymnastic Instructor of the Constabulary, as this would ensure all young constables being trained in Fire Brigade work.

(*c*) Each Divisional Establishment would consist, in addition to the Instructor, of a Fire Superintendent, who might be a sergeant of police, and a selected number of police constables and of outside persons, who, on payment of a small retaining fee and a fee for drill practice and attendances at fires, would give their services. The houses of all members of the Brigade would be fitted with electric bells.

(*d*) Each Divisional Establishment would be connected with the populous places within its radius, and with the other Divisional Establishments by telephone.

(*e*) In each of the populous places, or in selected centres, there would be a Fire Brigade Staff, the police station being the centre, and the arrangements as to local members being as above outlined.

Assuming that a fire took place in the immediate vicinity of the Divisional Establishment, the Brigade would be available as in any town at present; and if the fire took place at a distant point in the district, the engine would proceed at once from the Divisional Establishment, and by the time it arrived the members of the local Brigade, who would have been called out in the interval, would be ready to commence operations immediately on its arrival. If there was a local fire apparatus, it would be put in use at once pending the arrival of large engine.

The following **Divisional Establishments**, with their respective outfits, are suggested :—

At *Cambuslang*.—To serve the district comprising Rutherglen (Landward), Cambuslang, Tollcross, Shettleston, Carmyle, Baillieston, Mount Vernon, Hallside, Newton, Flemington, Westburn, East Kilbride, High Blantyre, Blantyre, &c.

At *Larkhall*.—To serve Larkhall, Stonehouse, Strathaven, Dalserf Parish, Lesmahagow, Blackwood, Forniegair, Hamilton Burgh (if required), Blantyre, Valley of the Clyde from Hamilton to Lanark, Carluke, Cambusnethan, Law, &c.

At *Bellshill*.—This is the centre of the Middle Ward, and from it a Brigade could practically cover Bothwell Parish, Old and New Monkland Parishes, and readily get to the densely populated districts of Shettleston and Tollcross and Cadder Parish.

If another centre is contemplated, *Cambusnethan* is suggested;

or, alternatively—

(1) At *Tollcross*.—To serve the district comprising Rutherglen (Landward), Cambuslang, Tollcross, Shettleston, Mount Vernon, Baillieston, and the confines of Airdrie and Coatbridge. This centre would also act as supplementary at fires at such places as Blantyre, Bothwell, Uddingston, Bellshill, &c.

(2) At *Blantyre.*—To serve Blantyre, Bothwell, Uddingston, Bellshill, Hamilton, Dalserf, Stonehouse, Strathaven, Glasford, and East Kilbride, and to supplement the service at Cambuslang, Rutherglen, and Dalziel.

(3) At *Cambusnethan* or *Carluke.*—To serve the remaining districts of the Lower and Middle Wards and the Special Districts of the Upper Ward, to supplement the service of the other two stations in the Middle and Lower Wards, and to be available for owners or occupiers of the rest of the Upper Ward who may wish to summon the Brigade at their own expense.

The distance from Cambusnethan or Carluke to Crawfordjohn, Douglas, Abington, Crawford, and surrounding districts, and the difficulty of communication by night owing to the want of telephonic service south of Douglas, would make it very difficult to render an efficient service there except by the establishment of a fourth station at *Abington,* and the expense would appear not to justify this.

If this scheme of three stations were adopted, and if arrangements were made with the Burghs, the whole of the populous parts of the County would be adequately served. As regards the rural parts, which in themselves would not justify the establishment of Fire Brigades, many of them would with the use of motor engines be within practicable distance of one or other of the centres.

As regards the **cost**, while no accurate estimate can be given until the general lines of an approved scheme is decided upon, the following particulars may be of use as giving a rough indication of what would be necessary for an efficient scheme:—

1. *Stations.*

   An addition to the existing police stations at the Divisional Establishments for the accommodation of the engine and apparatus. This must include provision for the drying of hose by erection of a tower or apparatus affixed to existing buildings. A proportion at least of the members of the Brigade should reside at the station, and some additions may be necessary to permit of this.

2. *Engines.*

   A steam or petrol engine would be required for each Divisional Station. Prices of what appear to be suitable engines vary according to pumping capacity per minute from £600 to £1,200, exclusive of delivery hose or chemical cylinder.

3. *Delivery Hoses.*

   A probable expenditure of £300 to £500.

4. *Fire Escapes.*

   It will probably be considered unnecessary, at least at first, to provide escapes, as the buildings in County areas are not of the same elevation as those of large towns. To provide fire escapes with a motor service would add largely to the cost.

5. *Outfit,* including uniforms, tools, and other accessories.

6. *Communication and Alarms.*

7. *Fire Hydrants.*

MAINTENANCE.

The only expenditure for maintenance if motor engines were employed would be:—

(1) *Pay.*—(*a*) Salary of Fire Master,

(*b*) Wages of one engineer for each station, and

(*c*) Allowances to the Instructor and members of Brigades for drills, &c., and fire services.

(2) If steam, as against oil or petrol, engines were preferred, a cost of £10 to £20 per engine per annum to maintain a head of steam sufficient to enable a turn out within a few minutes.

(3) Fuel, or oil, or petrol, during practice and use, and payments, if any, for water.

(4) Repairs to apparatus and outfits.

(5) Rent and taxes of stations, telephone charges, clerical work, and inspection of apparatus and hydrants.

In addition, there might be payments to the Burghs for the right to call on their Brigades. On the other hand, the arrangements with Burghs might provide for the use, in Burghs, of the County Brigades, and for corresponding income therefrom.

As practically the whole of the Lower and Middle Wards would be served from the centres above mentioned, it is suggested that the expense in these Wards should be spread over the whole of each of the Wards.

As regards the Upper Ward, it is suggested that the expense might be shared in by the Special Water Districts of Blackwood, Braidwood, Carluke, Carnwath, Forth, Kirkfieldbank, Law, and Lesmahagow, and the Special Drainage District of Crosslaw, on the understanding that if the Brigade is to be made available outside these districts a contribution, based on the service likely to be rendered, might be made out of the General Public Health Assessment, with a payment from the owner or occupier of the premises in which the fire occurred. Alternatively a share of the expense, and proportioned to the extent to which the Upper Ward would be likely to share in the advantages of the Brigade, might be apportioned to the whole of that Ward, and paid out of the Public Health General Assessment.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 1st *June*, 1909.

22nd September, 1909. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 22nd September, 1909, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee appointed with reference to the proposed establishment of a Fire Brigade in the County.

Present—

George Fraser.	William Neilson.
George Green.	John D. Scott.
Robert Lambie.	James Stewart.

Thomas F. Wilson.

Attending—

Captain Despard, Chief Constable of the County.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Report by Mr. Pordage, Firemaster, Edinburgh. The Clerk submitted to the meeting a report by Mr. A. Pordage, Firemaster, Edinburgh (Appendix), on the proposed establishment of fire brigades in the county, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the sub-committee.

Letter from Dr. Hill enclosing one from Town-Clerk, Glasgow. As relative to the proposed fire station at Shettleston, the Clerk submitted a letter from Dr. Hill, Clerk to the Lower Ward District Committee, enclosing a letter addressed to him by the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, which was in the following terms:—

"City Chambers,
"Glasgow, 13th September, 1909.

"W. H. Hill, Esq., LL.D.,
"Clerk to the Lower Ward District
"Committee of the County of Lanark,
"194 Ingram Street, Glasgow.

"Dear Sir,

"FIRE BRIGADES.

"My Corporation are, in view of the terms of Section 8 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, in negotiation with the County Council of Renfrew and the Eastern District Committee of Dumbartonshire on the question of the attendance of the brigade within their respective jurisdictions, and at a recent meeting of my committee I was instructed to ask if your District Committee wish to come to any arrangement with the Corporation. I am to-day writing to the Local Authorities I have already mentioned with a view to a conference being arranged here, and if your committee wish to take any part in the conference I shall be glad to hear from you as early as possible, with several alternative dates, so that a date suitable to all parties may be arranged.

"Yours truly,

(Signed) "J. LINDSAY,
"*T. C. D.*"

Report generally approved of.—Remit to Chief Constable and Clerk. After a full discussion of the scheme as outlined in Mr. Pordage's report, the committee agreed that it was unnecessary at this stage to have a station at Lanark and to provide a tender, and, with these modifications, approved generally of the report, and remitted to the Chief Constable and Clerk to prepare and submit to the next meeting of the sub-committee a statement showing the cost and equivalent rate which would be required to meet the cost of the scheme as proposed to be modified.

The committee agreed that after a further meeting they would, without prejudice, meet the Corporation as proposed and hear their views.

APPENDIX.

REPORT BY Mr. A. PORDAGE, FIREMASTER OF EDINBURGH, ON A SCHEME FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FIRE BRIGADE FOR THE COUNTY OF LANARK.

For the purposes of fire protection, the County should be divided into four areas or Divisions, with centres at Shettleston, Bellshill, Larkhall and Lanark, with an effective and complete fire-engine installation at each.

Shettleston and Bellshill are selected from amongst other important centres for the Lower and Central Middle Wards, as being best situated as distributing centres for the more populous districts, and especially that part of the Lower Ward lying to the north and east of Glasgow.

Shettleston is within an easy ten minutes of Rutherglen, Cambuslang, Baillieston, and Millerston, and is within 15 minutes of Bishopbriggs and Chryston.

Bellshill is within an easy 10 minutes of the greater part of the Monkland Parish and Blantyre, and is within 20 minutes of East Kilbride. It is also a good centre from which to send additional assistance to the Shettleston Division.

Cambuslang and Blantyre are busy centres, but are farther removed from the northern and eastern portion of the County, and in my opinion not so useful as fire centres as Shettleston and Bellshill.

Larkhall is within 18 minutes of the most important places in the Upper and Middle Wards, Strathaven, Crossford, Carluke, and Cambusnethan.

Lanark would supply the less populous districts of the Upper Ward, few of which are beyond a radius of 14 miles to the south of that burgh, and could be covered under normal circumstances by a motor engine in 30 to 40 minutes.

The selection of the four above-mentioned places for the Fire Division centres will admit of all parts of the County being covered by at least one engine—in the Lower Ward in 15 minutes and in the farther extremity of the Upper Ward in 30 to 40 minutes.

Taking Larkhall as the most central position, a radius of 20 miles from that point would cover all the more populous districts in the County, which means that a second engine could reach any place within that radius in less than an hour.

The sphere of action of any of the Divisional Stations would not be limited to its own immediate Division, the engines could be sent to support either of the others in the case of a serious fire.

If, for local conditions, with which I am not familiar, other centres should be found to be more suitable as distributing centres, the general scheme would not be in any way affected—the same conditions will apply.

Lower Ward.—Alternative to County Fire Division.

As an alternative to the establishment of a Fire Brigade centre at Shettleston for the protection of the Lower Ward, your Council might consider the advisability of approaching the City of Glasgow Corporation with a view to an arrangement being entered into between the City and the County Council, whereby the City would undertake to send at least one motor pumping fire-engine, with complete equipment and eight firemen, at any time, to a fire within that part of the County which lies north and west of a prescribed line drawn from the northern County boundary at Molinburn, thence to Gartcosh, Baillieston, East Kilbride; thence along the main road to a point at the County boundary on the main road to Eaglesham—the City to relieve the Council of all responsibility for accidents, or claims for compensation from any source in respect to accidents to the City engines, men, or third parties, during their operations, or whilst proceeding to, attending, or returning from a fire or alarm of fire within the prescribed area of the County. The City's liability being limited to attending only one fire at a time.

Other than that of the City of Glasgow, there are no Fire Brigades within the County with which such an arrangement could be made, for the reason that the smaller Burghs are not in a position to guarantee that a motor fire-engine, with complete equipment, would be at the disposal of the County at all times.

Equipment.

The equipment at each of the four Fire Divisional Stations should consist of a motor pumping fire-engine, of a pumping capacity of 450 gallons per minute; providing four good fire jets at close quarters, or two when required to pump from a water supply 300 or 400 yards distant on to a fire.

The motor engines would be of the petrol type, and fully equipped with 400 yards of hose, 40 feet of extension ladder and all the necessary accessories. The cost of such an engine would approximately be £1,200, the equipment £250, and the Fire Station equipment (apart from buildings) £50, a total of £1,500. The Lanark engine, having a wider radius, would carry a larger hose equipment.

Hose tender

The provision of a motor hose tender at the Central Divisional Station, *i.e.*, either Bellshill or Larkhall, is desirable, if the cost at the initial stage of the establishment of the Fire Brigade would not be considered excessive. The function of the hose tender would be to carry an additional supply of firemen, hose, and other apparatus, to a fire. It would be fitted with a smaller pump than the other engines, and consequently be of less weight. The cost of this machine would be about £850, and its equipment £350. In addition to Fire Brigade work, the tender could fulfil the dual function of being used for purely police purposes in rapidly conveying constables to a disturbed district in cases of emergency.

Fire escapes.

I have included in the equipment of the motor fire-engines a portable ladder, extending to forty feet, which would be used in an emergency as a fire-escape. Considering that the majority of the higher dwellings in the more populous districts are on the flatted tenement system, with common stair, I do not consider the provision of an extensive system of fire-escapes, at least at the commencement of the scheme, to be essential.

Executive.

For disciplinary purposes I am basing this scheme on the assumption that the permanent Fire Brigade Staff will be mainly recruited from the County Police Force, with either the Chief Constable or a superior officer of police as the Firemaster.

The requirements of scattered districts in a County do not admit of the maintenance of a large staff of men being held in readiness for fire brigade work alone, if the police arrangements will permit of the men performing the dual services, it will be found more economical to adopt that system, at least at the initiation of the establishment.

Staff.

At each Divisional Station there would require to be a staff of 12 firemen and one mechanician, made up as follows:—

(*a*) A Sergeant of Police, *i.e.*, the Divisional Officer in charge;

(*b*) 7 police constables as firemen;

(*c*) 4 auxiliary firemen drawn from outside the Force. These men would be paid a retaining fee of 2s. per week, and pay at the rate of 2s. 6d. for first hour and 1s. per subsequent hour when engaged at fires or drills; and

(*d*) a mechanician specially engaged to act as chauffeur.

The Sergeant, or Divisional Officer, would be responsible to the Firemaster for the efficient state of the appliances at his station.

The mechanician should be a man who has had a training as an engineer and fitter. He would be responsible for the efficient condition of the engine, be able to execute ordinary repairs, and clean the fire appliances and all apparatus. He would also instruct certain of the firemen to drive the motor engine, to enable them to take his place during his absence.

The crew of the engine at a fire should consist of 8 firemen in addition to the chauffeur. 12 men are required, to admit of this number being always available to make up the deficiency for men on leave or sick.

The firemen and mechanician should reside at, or adjacent to, the Fire Stations, and their quarters be connected therewith by an installation of electric call bells.

Fire drill instructor.

An Instructor should be appointed, who might be a police officer specially trained in Fire Brigade work, whose duty would be to periodically instruct the firemen, inspect the appliances at each station, and report the result of each visit to the Firemaster.

Inspecting officer.

The Fire Brigade Divisions should be inspected at least once a year by an experienced Fire Brigade Officer, who would inspect the engines and appliances, drill the brigade, and report on the efficiency of the Fire Brigade generally.

Burgh and other fire brigades.

To secure the co-operation of the County and existing Burgh and other recognised Fire Brigades, with their respective plants, arrangements might be entered into whereby, in exchange for the increased efficiency and protection the Burghs and Parish Council Districts would derive from the County fire engines, both services would merge into one under the officers of the County Fire Brigade, which would be the one recognised Fire Brigade throughout the County, always excluding such of the Burghs which declined to enter into the agreement. Under these conditions the Burghs and Districts would continue to bear the cost of the maintenance of their respective Fire Brigades on an efficient footing as heretofore. Such an arrangement would ensure the local Fire Brigade appliances, which at present principally consist of manual apparatus, being got into operation pending the arrival of the Divisional County Detachment.

Fire alarm call points.

The installation of a system of fire call points, to be effective, should be a comprehensive one, and such a system over such a large area would in my opinion be so costly as to be almost entirely out of the question. Many points in isolated areas would, owing to the mileage of wiring, poles, leads, way-leaves, &c., be a heavy burthen on the maintenance, and might not be used for any effective purpose once in many years. As an alternative to such a system, all the police stations not already on, should be connected with the National Telephone System, or where this system does not exist special call points might be linked up to the railway or Post Office wires, which would be of great advantage and protection, both from a police and fire point of view.

Fire hydrants.

The matter of the provision of a water supply is an essential factor in connection with any scheme of fire protection. It should consequently be an understanding that on all future water installations in populous districts fire hydrants be fitted, at an average distance of 150 yards, particularly at all cross roads, and at the corners of leading thoroughfares. Hydrants should also be laid at the most advantageous points adjacent to isolated properties.

Underground tanks.

The provision of built underground tanks in districts where the pressure of water on the mains is inadequate is very desirable, but the system, which involves the excavation for, and building of, a tank of 9-inch brick underground, the provision of manholes and covers, a pipe from the main with controlling valve, is an expensive one, and in my opinion, owing to its limited sphere of action, is a matter for individual rather than public enterprise.

Cost

For the purposes of arriving at the amount of capital expenditure the scheme would involve, I estimate the life of a motor engine under the supervision of an experienced mechanician, and considering the nature of work it is required to perform, to be 10 years.

The approximate cost of equipping a station as outlined in the foregoing report, with one motor pumping engine, would be:—

Fire engines.	1 petrol motor pumping fire engine, ...	£1,200	0	0	
	400 yards hose carried on engine, ...	62	0	0	
	400 yards spare hose for replenishing engine after fire,	62	0	0	
	30 feet of suction hose and canvas cistern, ...	30	0	0	
	Branch-pipes, nozzles, stand-pipes, breechings, lamps, &c., ...	40	0	0	
	40 feet of extension ladder, scaling ladders, life lines, &c., ...	40	0	0	
	Axes, crowbars, tools, &c., ...	16	0	0	
					£1,450 0 0
	Fire station gear, hose, drying apparatus, tools, &c., ...				50 0 0
	Fire helmets, belts, axes, &c., ...				25 0 0
	Installation of electric call bells, ...				25 0 0
	Total for each station, ...				£1,550 0 0
Motor hose tender.	Approximate cost of motor tender suggested for the Central Divisional Station, ...	£850	0	0	
	Equipment, ...	350	0	0	
					£1,200 0 0
Maintenance.	(*a*) Pay—				
	1 mechanician, 35s. weekly, ...	£91	0	0	
	1 sergeant in charge, 2s. 6d. weekly, ...	6	10	0	
	7 constables, 2s. weekly, ...	36	8	0	
	4 auxiliary firemen, 2s. weekly, ...	20	16	0	
	Do., £5 per annum, ...	20	0	0	
	Four stations at	£174	14	0	£698 16 0
	Salary of firemaster, instructor, and fee for inspecting officer,				100 0 0
	(*b*) Plant—				
	Motor engine—Upkeep, petrol, oils, tyres, and slight repairs, ...	£70	0	0	
	General repairs, ...	25	0	0	
	Hose and other apparatus, ...	25	0	0	
	Four stations at	£120	0	0	480 0 0
	(*c*) Stations—				
	Cleaning gear, oils, tools, and necessary furnishings, ...	£25	0	0	
	(*d*) Uniforms for 12 firemen, ...	40	0	0	
	(*e*) Insurance of engines, ...	20	0	0	
	Four stations at	£85	0	0	340 0 0
	(*f*) Interest and sinking fund on purchase of motor engines, estimated at a life of 10 years each engine, ...	£190	0	0	760 0 0
					£2,378 16 0
	Additional if motor tender is included—				
	Pay, ...	£52	0	0	
	Upkeep of tender and plant, ...	120	0	0	
	Uniforms, ...	30	0	0	
	Insurance of engine, ...	20	0	0	
	Interest and sinking fund, ...	144	0	0	
					366 0 0
	Approximate annual cost of maintenance of four divisional fire stations, including motor tender and four motor engines, but exclusive of fire station buildings, rents, taxes, &c., ...				£2,744 16 0

I beg to submit the foregoing as an efficient scheme for the inauguration of a Fire Brigade service for County work.

The working expenses do not include cost of the erection and maintenance of Fire Stations, which will be determined by the number and class of buildings decided upon, neither do they include the cost of any addition to the Police Force, which may be found to be necessary if the scheme is adopted either as a whole or in part.

A. PORDAGE,
Firemaster.

Fire Brigade Headquarters,
Edinburgh, 11th September, 1909.

To THOMAS MUNRO, Esq.,
County Clerk,
County of Lanark.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, the 29th day of September, 1909, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to Fire Brigades. 29th September, 1909

Present—

GEORGE FRASER. | WILLIAM M. MARSHALL.
GEORGE GREEN. | JOHN D. SCOTT.
ROBERT LAMBIE. | JAMES STEWART.
THOMAS F. WILSON.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the Notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 22nd current, were submitted in draft and approved of. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The meeting having resumed consideration of the report by Mr. Pordage, the Clerk submitted a statement which he had prepared, showing the cost of the scheme as modified, and that the probable rating therefor in the Upper, Middle, and Lower Ward Districts of the County would not exceed $\frac{1}{3}$ of a penny per £. *Cost of scheme.*

He also read a letter from Mr. Neilson, of date 27th instant, on the subject.

The committee resolved to recommend the County Council to proceed with a scheme on the general lines of Mr. Pordage's report as modified at last meeting.

The meeting, having resumed consideration of the invitation from the Corporation of Glasgow to a conference on the subject of the provision of fire establishments, remitted to the Chairman and Mr. Green, with the Clerk, to arrange a meeting with the representatives of the Corporation, and to consider and report on the Corporation's proposals. *Conference with Glasgow Corporation.*

APPENDIX II.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON HOUSE LETTING AND RATING BILL, &c.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 8th September, 1909, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to the House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill. — 8th September, 1909.

Present—

GEORGE GREEN. | Colonel DENNISTOUN MITCHELL.
JAMES STEWART.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The Clerk having reported the action taken to secure the amendment of the Bill on the report stage, and that the Depute Speaker, acting in consultation with the Speaker, had ruled that the amendments put down on behalf of the Council were incompetent unless the Bill was recommitted, to which course the Government would not agree, the meeting, in view of the second reading and committee stages in the House of Lords being taken on early dates, instructed the Clerk to proceed to London and to endeavour to arrange for the amendments being put down, and to take such other action as he should consider necessary. — *Report by Clerk.*

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 15th September, 1909, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to the House Letting and Rating Bill. — 15th September, 1909

Present—

Colonel DENNISTOUN MITCHELL. | JAMES STEWART.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling Meeting.*

Report by Clerk.

The Clerk reported that, as instructed at the last meeting of the sub-committee, he had communicated with certain Peers on the subject of the Bill, but that he had not been able to get any member of the House of Lords to put down the amendments. He stated, however, that he had prepared and sent out a statement (Appendix I.), copies of which had been sent to the members of the committee, and of which they approved.

Circular addressed to County Clerks in Scotland.

The Clerk submitted a copy of a circular letter on the subject of the Bill, dated 8th current, which he had addressed to the County Clerks in Scotland, and of which the meeting approved.

Communication sent to Secretary for Scotland.

The Clerk reported that he had again written to the Secretary for Scotland urging that the Bill should be amended so as to apply to counties, and submitted letters which he proposed to address to Lord Saltoun and Lord Lovat, and the committee approved thereof.

The meeting remitted to the Clerk to take such further action as he might deem advisable for pressing the views of the County Council upon Parliament.

Development and Road Improvement Funds Bill.

The Clerk reported the position of the Bill and submitted revised copies of notes (Appendix II.), which he had issued to Scottish Members on Standing Committee C, to which the Bill had been remitted, and also amendments which he was endeavouring to have put down on behalf of the County Council, and the committee approved of the action taken.

The committee, after consideration, resolved to support the amendments put down by Mr. Falconer, M.P., to secure that the Scottish portion of the Fund under Part I. of the Bill (Development) should be earmarked to and administered in Scotland, and instructed the Clerk to take any action he should consider necessary.

15th September, 1909.

APPENDIX I.

HOUSE OF LORDS,
SESSION 1909.

HOUSE LETTING AND RATING (SCOTLAND) BILL.

STATEMENT

FOR

THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE BILL TO POPULOUS PLACES IN COUNTIES.

The Second Reading of the Bill is fixed for Monday 13th September, 1909.

The Bill as introduced in the House of Lords applies only to Burghs.

The title of the Bill "To amend the law as to the letting and rating of small dwelling houses in Scotland, and for other purposes relating thereto," infers that its provisions will be applied generally throughout Scotland, and is therefore inconsistent with its present limited application.

If the Bill is allowed to pass in its present form, there will undoubtedly be disappointment amongst those who support it in principle, and particularly amongst occupiers of small dwellings in populous areas outside Burghs.

A large proportion of the total population of Scotland resides in villages or towns which, while not under Burghal government, possess, under powers recently conferred upon County Councils, all the advantages of Burghal government, and it is submitted that it is unreasonable that occupiers of small dwellings in such places should be deprived of the benefits conferred by the Bill.

The aggregation of the inhabitants in towns and villages is naturally most marked in the industrial districts. For instance, in Lanarkshire, of a total population of 294,500 residing outside the burghs, no fewer than 200,000 reside in villages and towns of from 1,000 to about 30,000 inhabitants.

The following typical instances in the County of Lanark may be cited, viz. :—

OVER 1,000 AND UNDER 10,000.

Baillieston,	4,500
Uddingston,	9,000
Carluke,	5,500
Shotts,	4,500
Strathaven,	4,200
Bothwell,	3,800
Stonehouse,	3,500
Bishopbriggs,	2,900

OVER 10,000.

Shettleston and Tollcross,	28,000
Cambuslang,	19,000
Blantyre,	15,000
Larkhall,	14,000
Bellshill,	14,000

The Bill as it stands will not apply to any of the places above mentioned, and there appears no good reason why it should not. As in most of the places named the inhabitants depend upon industries now existing in the respective areas, and in many cases on one particular industry, changes of residence consequent on vicissitudes of trade are even more likely to occur in them than in Burghs, where, as a general rule, the bulk of the population have interests of a more or less permanent nature.

If the provisions of the Bill are to become law, there is every reason in favour of, and none against, their being made to apply to populous places in counties possessing populations corresponding to those specified in the case of burghs, that is, either compulsorily or by adoption according to the limit of population fixed by the Bill for Burghs. Effect can easily be given to what is proposed, as there are in counties special districts which have clearly defined boundaries fixed under statute, and which are publicly known, and within which no greater difficulty in imposing rates need be anticipated than in Burghs.

The exceptions contained in Clause 3 of the Bill will provide against its provisions being applied to houses occupied in connection with agricultural pursuits. Further, the Bill will not apply to ordinary houses in country districts outside special districts.

It is believed that, if what is proposed were given effect to, the Bill would apply compulsorily in the following places only, viz. :—

In Fifeshire—

Wemyss Special Water District.

In Lanarkshire—

Shettleston and Tollcross Lighting and Scavenging Districts.
Cambuslang Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging Districts.
Blantyre Drainage and Lighting Districts.
Larkhall Drainage and Lighting Districts.
Bellshill and Mossend Drainage, Lighting, and Scavenging Districts.

In Renfrewshire—

Renfrew Lighting and Scavenging Districts.
Cathcart Drainage District.

In Stirlingshire—

Larbert Scavenging and Lighting Districts.

In the case of all other Special Districts in Counties where the population is under 10,000, it would be in the option of the respective County Councils to apply the provisions of the Bill or not as they might deem expedient, having regard to the circumstances of the populous areas.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk of Lanarkshire.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *September*, 1909.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

NOTES

ON

DEVELOPMENT AND ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUNDS BILL.

This Bill, which is entituled "a Bill to promote the Economic Development of the United Kingdom, and the Improvement of Roads therein," deals with the uses to which it is proposed to apply certain new duties under the Finance Bill and Budget resolutions.

It applies to England and Wales, Scotland, and Ireland.

The two main purposes of the Bill are—

I. Economic Development of the Country, and

II. Road Improvement,

and are dealt with as follows:—

Part I.—Development.

A proposal to set aside and apply a fund with the object of promoting the economic development of the country in the directions undernoted.

No intention is expressly disclosed of inviting the co-operation of or entrusting the Local Authorities with the carrying out of any of the objects for which this fund is available.

These objects are generally the encouragement of—

(1) Forestry;

(2) Agriculture and rural industries, including (1) instruction and experiments in practical agriculture, the improvement of live stock and poultry, co-operation, and the marketing of agricultural produce; and (2) the extension of the provisions of small holdings;

(3) Reclamation and drainage of land;

(4) Improvement of rural transport (but excluding the construction or improvement of roads);

(5) Construction and improvement of harbours;

(6) Construction and improvement of canals;

(7) Development and improvement of fisheries.

An Advisory Committee or Committees will be appointed by the Treasury, but their duties seem to be intended to be limited to advising as to the grants to be made out of the Fund.

It would therefore appear that, as no special administrative machinery is to be set up for carrying the objects of the Bill into effect, the grants will be made to existing Departments of the Government or public bodies having the administration of any of the matters above enumerated. If

this is so, difficulty may arise in connection with one or two of the objects. For instance—

(1) What body is to deal with forestry?

(2) Agriculture.—Except for the provision in Clause (4), which enables the Board of Agriculture to acquire and hold land, there is no express direction as to who are to carry the proposals as to agriculture into effect.

A certain amount of educative work as to the practice of agriculture has been done by Agricultural Colleges and County Education Committees. These bodies might appropriately share in the grants, and are capable of carrying out many of the objects of this part of the Bill.

The extension of the provision of small holdings would seem to infer that County Councils, who are the Authorities under the existing Acts, might be assisted out of the Fund.

(3) Reclamation and Drainage of Land.—There is no existing Authority specially charged with this duty, and it is capable of wide application.

(4) Rural Transport.—The same remark applies to this proposal, which is also capable of great development.

(5) Harbours.—County and Burgh Councils and public Harbour Authorities have powers in this connection, and no difficulty need be anticipated in carrying out this purpose.

(6) Construction and Improvement of Canals.—There need be no difficulty as to the improvement of existing canals, but what Authority is to be charged with the duty of constructing *new* canals?

(7) Fisheries.—No difficulty arises as regards this purpose which can be carried out by existing Fishery Boards.

The amount of the Fund is to be considerable, and for the first five years will not be less than £500,000 annually. The question arises, is it proposed to apportion this sum between the three countries *pro rata*, or is it to be kept in one Fund, administered by one Central Advisory Committee? If the latter, the matter will require very serious consideration, as it would be a departure from the hitherto recognised practice of apportioning Exchequer Grants in the proportion of England, 80 per cent.; Scotland, 11 per cent.; and Ireland, 9 per cent.; and, if the proposal is to be acquiesced in, it should at least be seen that each of the countries has a fair representation on the Committee.

PART II.—ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

The object of this part of the Bill is to carry into effect the proposal that the monies to be derived from the increased tax on motor cars and petrol should be applied towards "improving the facilities for motor traffic."

With this object in view, a Board, to be called the "Road Board," is to be appointed by the Treasury, to whom is to be entrusted the expenditure of the monies referred to. The estimated amount of this Fund for the current year is £600,000, which amount is, according to the estimate of the

Chancellor of the Exchequer, expected to "rapidly increase in succeeding years."

The Road Board may apply the Fund either by—

(1) Themselves constructing and maintaining new roads, the primary use of which is to be for motor car traffic, any other use being permissible only with consent of the Board and on such pecuniary consideration as may be exacted; or

(2) Making advances to Highway Authorities in counties and in burghs who manage their roads towards (*a*) the construction of new roads, or (*b*) the improvement of existing roads, such advances to be by way of either free grant, or loan, or partly in one way and partly in the other.

The conditions attaching to the construction by the Road Board of new "motor" roads are generally as follows:—

Speed limit will not apply;

No road or path communicating with such roads to be made except with the consent of the Road Board;

No traffic other than motor car traffic to be permitted except with consent of Board, and on such pecuniary consideration as may be exacted;

Board either to maintain road itself or arrange with Road Authority.

If new motor road crosses existing highway, it must be either carried over, or the existing highway carried over it, on a bridge which, with the approaches thereto, must be constructed and maintained by the Road Board.

The Board may acquire land for such a road, and also (outside burghs) 220 yards on either side thereof. The intention of this is to enable the Board to reap any advantage which may accrue from the increased value of the adjoining land consequent upon the construction of the road. In passing, it may be remarked that the limitation to rural districts should be expressed so as to exclude populous places not under burghal government.

The Board may borrow money on the security of so much of the Fund as does not exceed £200,000 per annum. Assuming that the period for repayment, which is not, as it should be, specified, is 30 years, this means that, if necessary, over £3,000,000 could be borrowed on security of the Fund, leaving £400,000 of annual income still available.

It is thus apparent that the whole question is an important one, and will require the careful consideration of Road Authorities and the public.

The first object of this part of the Bill is, as has been seen, to permit the Road Board to construct new motor roads. The second object is to help Road Authorities to improve the condition of existing roads. The question that at once arises is whether the first object is, as the Bill would seem to assume, the more important, and the second only subsidiary. A point of real interest is here raised, and on its determination

depends the efficiency of the new proposals, and also the question of the equitable distribution of the Fund.

It may be premised that large though the Fund is, it will not permit of the construction of new motor roads throughout the kingdom, including Ireland. It is indeed doubtful if that would be desirable. There are, however, certain districts, limited in number, where the advantage of having motor roads might be urged. For instance, from London to Brighton, and possibly on the line of the other roads leading out of London to one or two other large cities. It is doubtful if there are many, if any, cases in Scotland where such a road is really required.

Thus the danger arises that if the construction of new motor roads is to be deemed the main purpose to which the Fund is to be applied, certain districts will receive an undue share to the prejudice of other districts.

It is submitted that, while new motor roads may be desirable in one or two instances, the real object to which the Fund should be applied is the improvement of existing roads, so as to bring them up to the new standard of efficiency and comfort which motor traffic has required, and which is imposing such an additional burden on the rates of the Authorities who are attempting to meet the new requirements, and are anxious to go further in this direction with due regard to the public interest.

Motor traffic is now universal—the most outlying district has its share—and the tourist car has the free right to use every road in the kingdom. A tax that comes from motorists in general should be generally applied, and not allotted in any excess to particular localities. What is wanted is a real improvement in roads generally, deviations in the rare cases where such are required, alterations of dangerous corners, widening of bridges, &c., and where the Funds permit contributions towards improved surfacing, so as to especially avoid the dust nuisance. All this should be on an equitable basis of general distribution.

It is right to point out that this seemed the original intention of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, who in a speech introducing the Budget said:—

> "We propose that the money shall be placed at the disposal of a "Central Authority, who will make grants to Local Authorities for the "purpose of carrying out well-planned schemes which they have approved "for widening roads, straightening them, for making deviations round "villages, where necessary, for allaying the dust nuisance. I should also "propose that power should be given to this Central Authority to set "aside a portion of the money so raised for constructing where they "think it necessary and desirable absolutely new roads."

This deliverance and not the Bill, it is respectfully submitted, would carry out what the public wants, and what is the best method of improving the lot of the motorist. It puts the two objects in their proper perspective,—*First* the improvement of existing roads, and *second* the construction where necessary of new motor roads.

It may be said that the Central Road Board may be trusted to distribute the money in the best possible way. If, however, the Bill sanctions the idea that its main object is to facilitate the construction of new roads, a very powerful argument will be afforded to the important influences that may be found pressing for the construction of new roads to the exclusion of the carrying out effectively of the other and, as has been submitted, more important purpose. The difficulty might be got over by placing a limit upon the amount to be spent on new roads.

The question of the constitution of the Road Board and of the allocation of monies will arise. If there is to be only one Board, limited in number, Scotland's representation on it will necessarily be small. It might be well to suggest that each Road Authority should annually submit a specification of what they suggest by way of improvements on the roads in their area. The Board would then be in a position to review each year the requirements of the country as a whole, and allocate the available Funds on an equitable basis. The Road Authorities should have a right to represent either to Parliament or to some of the permanent Boards against any alleged unequal distribution. The improvements should be carried out by the existing Road Authorities, individually where the road affected traverses the district of one authority only, or by joint-committee as provided in the Roads and Bridges Act in other cases. There is no need for the intervention of a new highway authority, which will lead to confusion and unnecessary expense. The sole exception might be where Road Authorities failed to agree, and even then the best solution would be by conferring powers upon the Central Board to compel agreement.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 31*st August*, 1909.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT-MEETING OF PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE AND JOINT SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* MILK AND DAIRIES (SCOTLAND) BILL.

4th August, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th August, 1909, being a Joint-Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee and the Joint Sub-Committee appointed with reference to the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill.

Present—

J. P. Baird.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
George Green.
Walter J. Grant.
Thos. Fulton.
Alexander Hamilton.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
James Logan.
A. D. Mack.
Rev. C. M'Kune.
Wm. M. Marsaall.
Peter M. Martin.
Col. Dennistoun Mitchell
John D. Scott.
James Stewart.
R. K. Stewart.
William Templeton.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

There was submitted to the meeting a print of the minutes of the Joint Sub-Committee *re* Milk and Dairies Bill, of date 30th June, 1909 (Appendix). *Minutes of Joint Sub-Committee re Milk and Dairies Bill.*

Under reference to these minutes the Clerk stated that Mr. Lambie and he had had an interview with the Secretary for Scotland, and had represented to his Lordship the expediency of giving effect to the amendments suggested, and that the Secretary for Scotland had expressed his sympathy with the principles underlying the majority of the proposed amendments, and had suggested that the Council should arrange for their being put forward, so far as they were not covered by Government amendments. *Milk and Dairies Bill. — Report of interview with Secretary for Scotland.*

The meeting, having further discussed the proposal that the compensation payable under Clause 17 should be met out of Imperial Funds, agreed, by a majority, that no objection be taken to the Clause as it stands so far as regards the question of the fund out of which the compensation should be paid, on the understanding that the compensation payable under the Tuberculosis Order should be made an Imperial charge. *Clause.*

Clause 17.

With further reference to Clause 17 the meeting, after discussion, agreed to urge that the Clause be amended to correspond with the provisions contained in the Milk and Dairies Bill applicable to England as regards the conditions under which the Local Authority shall be liable to pay compensation in the case of stoppage of milk supplies.

Remit to Sub-committee to watch progress of Bill.

The meeting remitted to the Joint Sub-Committee appointed in connection with the Bill to watch its future progress and to take such steps as they may consider necessary to have effect given to the amendments above referred to and generally to those mentioned in the minutes of the joint sub-committee, of date 30th June last.

APPENDIX.

JOINT SUB-COMMITTEE *re* MILK AND DAIRIES (SCOTLAND) BILL.

30th June, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 30th June 1909, being a Meeting of the Joint Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, the Executive Committee, and the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

George Fraser.	William Neilson.
Thomas Fulton.	John D. Scott.
Alexander Hamilton.	James Stewart.
Robert Lambie.	J. C. Hope Vere.
James Logan.	Thomas F. Wilson.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Chairman.

Mr. John D. Scott was appointed chairman of the committee.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, and intimated that he had received apologies for absence from Mr. D. C. Barr and Mr. Green.

Remit.

Copies of the minutes of the Public Health Committee of 2nd June, 1909, the Executive Committee of 23rd June, 1909, and the Parliamentary Bills Committee of 23rd June, 1909, containing the remits from the respective committees to the sub-committee, were also submitted.

Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill.

The meeting having proceeded to consider the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, 1909, the Clerk submitted copies of the Bill and of the Tuberculosis Order of 1909, with Notes thereon and a Synopsis of the Bill which he had prepared, and also a Memorandum prepared by the Medical Officer of Health (Appendices), of all of which copies had been sent to each member of the sub-committee.

There were also laid upon the table copies of the Milk and Dairies Bill (England) and the Milk Control (Scotland) Bill.

The meeting, after discussion, approved of legislation on the lines generally of the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, subject to its amendment to meet the points raised by the Clerk (Nos. 1-3 of his notes). It was also agreed that the provisions of Sub-section 10 of Section 17 should be amended so as to provide for compensation for stoppage of milk supplies being paid on similar terms as under the Milk and Dairies Bill which applies to England.

After discussion, it was further agreed to represent to the Secretary for Scotland and to the Board of Agriculture that compensation payable under the Bill and the Tuberculosis Order of 1909 should form a charge on Imperial, and not local, funds.

The meeting were of opinion that the Bill should be further amended so as to secure—

(1) that the Local Authority should have right to refuse to grant a licence or to cancel an existing licence in the cases of a dairyman repeatedly convicted, and that any appeal from the decision of the Local Authority should be not to the Sheriff, as provided in the Bill, but to the Local Government Board;

(2) that the sale of Devonshire cream, &c., in vessels not sealed, should be subject to the provisions of the Bill;

(3) that the date by which the Medical Officer must annually report under Clause 4 should be 1st May, in place of 1st March;

(4) that the periods of three and two months in Sub-section 4 of Clause 5 should be respectively two months and one month;

(5) that the terms of the obligation on dairymen in regard to notification of disease should be amended so as to secure simplicity and greater uniformity;

(6) that no dairyman should be entitled to dispose, except by slaughter, of any animal which he has become aware is tuberculous; and

(7) that Clause 14 should be amended on the lines suggested by the Medical Officer of Health.

Remit to sub-committee.

The meeting thereafter considered the steps which should be taken to secure amendment of the Bill on the lines above indicated, and appointed the Convener, John D. Scott, Thomas F. Wilson, Robert Lambie, and James Stewart, with the Clerk and Medical Officer, as a sub-committee to watch the progress of the Bill, and, if they considered it necessary, to represent the views of the committee to the Secretary for Scotland, and if thought desirable, also to the Board of Agriculture, it being understood that any deputation should not exceed five in number, including officials.

APPENDICES.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

NOTES

ON

THE MILK AND DAIRIES (SCOTLAND) BILL, 1909.

This Bill, introduced in the House of Lords by Lord Pentland, is intituled "An Act to insure the purity of milk supplies and to regulate dairies in Scotland, and for other purposes connected therewith," and is intended to come into operation on 1st January, 1910

Clause 2. Definition.

Expressions used in the Act are to have the meanings assigned to them in the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, subject to the following modifications:—

"Dairy" shall include any creamery, farm, farmhouse, cowshed, byre, milk store, milk shop, or other premises from which milk is *supplied*, or in which it is *stored* or *kept* for purposes of sale, or which are *used* for the making of butter or cheese.

"Dairyman" shall include any cow-keeper, purveyor of milk, occupier of a dairy, or maker of butter or cheese.

"Milk" shall include cream, skimmed milk, separated milk, and buttermilk.

Clause 3. Appointment of Veterinary Inspector.

Every Local Authority may, and when required by the Local Government Board for Scotland shall, appoint a Veterinary Inspector, and pay him a salary approved by the Board.

The Veterinary Inspector shall—

(1) be a member of the Royal College of Veterinary Inspectors;
(2) be debarred from private practice save with the consent of the Board;
(3) make such reports and special reports as the Board may require;
(4) nominate a duly qualified substitute (who must be approved by the Local Authority) to act during his illness or absence;
(5) not be removable by the Local Authority.

Local Authorities may combine in appointing Veterinary Inspectors.

Where a Veterinary Inspector is not appointed, the duties must be performed by a Veterinary Surgeon approved by the Local Authority, in terms of Section 43 of the Public Health Act.

Clause 4.

Clause 4 provides that—

Inspection of Dairies.

(1) The Medical Officer of Health or other officer appointed by the Local Authority for the purpose shall inspect every *dairy* in the district from time to time, and once at least in every year. He must report to the Local Authority not later than 1st March whether the dairy is in conformity with the Act and bye-laws.
(2) Every dairy herd shall be inspected at least once in every year, and reported on by the Veterinary Inspector. It is to be noted that no date is prescribed.
(3) The Local Authority may prescribe forms for the reports under this section.

Clause 5 provides that— Clause 5. Licensing of Dairies.

(1) Dairies must be licensed annually.
(2) Licences expire on 28th May in each year.
(3) The Local Authority may prescribe forms and stipulate for information required.
(4) Applications for a licence must be made to the Local Authority three months before the dairy is used. The Local Authority must obtain a report on the premises from the Medical Officer of Health or other authorised person, and must intimate their decision to the applicant within two months of receipt of his application.
(5) Application for renewal of a licence must be lodged by 1st March, and intimation of the decision of the Local Authority given by 31st March. A renewal may be granted provisionally on conditions to be first complied with.
(6) The Local Authority must, before deciding to grant or renew a licence, consider—
    (*a*) Reports obtained by them from the Medical Officer of Health and Veterinary Inspector;
    (*b*) any representation made to them by any person interested; or
    (*c*) any representation by the Local Authority of any district to which milk from the dairy is sent or is to be sent for sale.
(7) In the event of the Local Authority refusing to grant a licence, or to renew a licence, or their granting a licence only provisionally, the applicant may appeal to the Sheriff, who may order the Local Authority to grant or renew the licence, and may award expenses to either party. The Sheriff's decision shall be final, except that the decision of a Sheriff-Substitute may be appealed to the Sheriff Principal.
(8) A licence shall be deemed to be renewed where a further licence is granted in immediate succession to a prior licence for the same premises.
(9) Carts, vans, or other vehicles from which milk from an outside district is sold must be licensed in the district in which the milk is sold.
(10) The occupiers of dairies, &c., not licensed will be guilty of an offence against the Act (see penalty Clause 23).
(11) A register of licensed dairies in their district must be kept by the Local Authority.

Clause 6. Dairy Bye-laws.

The Local Authority shall make bye-laws under the powers conferred by Sections 183 and 187 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, for the whole of their district, which bye-laws shall provide for—

(*a*) the inspection of cattle and dairies;
(*b*) prescribing and regulating the structure, lighting, ventilation—including air space, cleansing, drainage, and water supplies—of dairies and their abutments;

(Bye-laws under this sub-section shall not apply to dairies where the dairyman sells milk only in small quantities to persons in his employment or to neighbours Any question as to whether a dairy comes under this category shall be determined by the Local Government Board, whose decision shall be final.)

(*c*) securing the health of the cows, and cleanliness of the persons and clothing of those engaged in the business, and of the milk, cows, dairy, utensils, and vessels, and storage or sale of milk;
(*d*) prescribing precautions to be taken by dairymen against infection or contamination.

Bye-laws shall, with the exception above noted (*b*), apply to all dairies, whether constructed before or after the passing of the Act.

Dairymen will be entitled to receive, on application, copies of the proposed bye-laws free of charge.

Existing bye-laws under the Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Orders shall continue in force until the date on which bye-laws under the Act take effect, and shall thereafter cease to have effect.

Clause 7. Local Authority to enforce Act.

It will be the duty of the Local Authority to enforce the provisions of the Act, and of any Bye-laws made thereunder. If they fail they may be compelled to enforce the Act at the instance of—

Clause 8. Procedure if Local Authority neglect duty.

(1) the Local Government Board, who may apply for an order on the Local Authority to carry out the provisions of the Act, either to (*a*) the Sheriff, or (*b*) if in their opinion the circumstances so require, with the approval of the Lord Advocate, to the Court of Session. Either party, *i.e.*, the Local Government Board or the Local Authority, may be found liable in the expenses of the proceedings; or

Clause 9. Appeal to Board by Local Authority to enforce Act.

(2) the Local Authority of any district to which milk is consigned, if the Local Government Board are satisfied that proceedings are necessary for securing that the provisions of the Act are properly carried out in the district complained of.

Clause 10. Regulations by Board.

Authority is given to the Local Government Board to make regulations to secure the carrying into effect of the Act, and including—

(*a*) cooling milk and otherwise protecting it against contamination;
(*b*) prohibition or regulation of the use of preservatives in milk;
(*c*) manner of conveyance of milk, and identification of churns or vessels used therefor;
(*d*) prohibition or regulation of the mixing of milk in different churns or vessels;
(*e*) labelling of the receptacles of milk where sold otherwise than in its natural state.

Clause 11. Notification of disease.

Written notice must be given to the Local Authority by every dairyman regarding any cow which is—

(*a*) *apparently* suffering from—
(1) tuberculosis, with emaciation;
(2) tuberculosis of the udder;
(3) any sore on teats accompanied by suppuration;
(4) any disease liable to infect or contaminate the milk; or

(*b*) *to his knowledge* giving tuberculous milk.

Clause 12. Milk of diseased cow not to be sold.

No person shall knowingly consign or sell for human food the milk of any cow—

(*a*) *apparently* suffering from—
(1) tuberculosis, with emaciation;
(2) tuberculosis of the udder;
(3) any sore on teats accompanied by suppuration or bleeding;
(4) any disease liable to infect or contaminate the milk; or

(*b*) *to his knowledge* giving tuberculous milk.

Clause 13. Diseased not to be kept with healthy animals.

It is an offence under the Act for any dairyman to continue to keep in any cowshed, along with cows and milk, any animal which he has become aware is—

(*a*) suffering from—
(1) tuberculosis with emaciation;
(2) tuberculosis of the udder;
(3) any disease liable to infect or contaminate the milk;
or (*b*) giving tuberculous milk.

Notice must be given by the dairyman to the Medical Officer of the district in which the dairy is situated of the sale of any such animal, with particulars of the destination and consignee.

The Medical Officer, in the event of the animal being consigned to an outside district, must communicate the facts to the local Medical Officer of Health.

Clause 14. Notification of employés suffering from illness.

Any illness attended by sore throat, or diarrhœa, or showing symptoms of any infectious disease on the part of any person resident at or employed in connection with any dairy, or residing in the same house as any person so employed, shall be immediately reported to the Medical Officer of Health by the dairyman.

All cases of infectious disease occurring as above, of which the Medical Officer of Health is cognisant, shall be immediately notified by him to the Medical Officer of Health of any district to which the milk is consigned.

Clause 15. Notification to other Medical Officers.

Until all danger of the communication of infection to the milk or of its contamination has ceased, no dairyman shall—

Clause 16. Persons suffering from disease not to assist in dairy.

(*a*) allow to milk cows, or handle milk vessels, or in any way to assist in his business, any person—

(1) suffering from or showing symptoms of any infectious disease; or
(2) having recently been in contact with a person so suffering; or
(3) residing in a house where such disease exists; or
(4) suffering from any suppurating sore, or from sore throat or diarrhœa;

(*b*) himself take any part in the conduct of his business while so suffering.

Clause 17. Procedure for the stoppage of milk supplies.

This clause sets forth the procedure for the stoppage of milk supplies.

(1) If the Medical Officer has evidence of—

(*a*) any person in the district suffering from any infectious disease; or
(*b*) any illness attributable to milk supplies within the district from any dairy situated within the district; or
(*c*) the likelihood of milk from any such dairy causing any such illness to any person residing in the district,

he shall visit and examine the dairy and every person engaged in the service thereof or resident upon the premises or with any person so employed, and shall report thereon to the Local Authority.

If the Veterinary Inspector has accompanied the Medical Officer, the animals in the dairy shall also be examined and reported upon.

(2) The Medical Officer shall report any case of infectious disease or illness attributable to or likely to be caused by milk from any dairy without the district to the Medical Officer of the district in which the dairy is situated, with a statement of the evidence, and the local Medical Officer shall examine the dairy and every person connected therewith, and in this case *must* be accompanied by the local Veterinary Inspector to examine the animals therein.

Notice of the time of such examination must be given to the local Medical Officer of the reporting district, in order that he and the Veterinary Inspector of that district may be present if they so desire, and the Local Authority of that district shall be furnished with reports of the results of the examinations.

(3) The Local Authority of the district in which the dairy is situated must forthwith meet and consider the report or reports with any other evidence that may be submitted, and shall either (*a*) make an order prohibiting the supplying of any milk from the dairy, or (*b*) resolve that no such Order is necessary.

(4) No appeal to the County Council from such Order shall be competent.

(5) A copy of the Order must be transmitted to the Local Authority of any district where the milk has been supplied.

(6) Provision is made for the withdrawal of the Order and intimation to the dairyman and Local Authority of any district of supply.

(7) Any Local Authority or dairyman aggrieved by any resolution, Order, or withdrawal of an Order, may appeal to the Sheriff of the district within which the dairy is situated, who may either himself make an Order, or vary, rescind, or withdraw any Order made.

(8) Proceedings shall be before the Sheriff of the district where the dairy is situate.

(9) A dairyman shall not be liable to an action for breach of contract if the breach be due to an Order under this Section.

(10) Full compensation shall be made by the Local Authority making the Order to any dairyman, not himself in default, who has sustained any damage.

Where, under Sub-Clause 2, two Local Authorities were responsible for the proceedings, they shall be jointly and equally liable.

Clause 18. Dairymen to produce list of customers and invoices, &c.

On a certificate by the Medical Officer that the outbreak or spread of infectious disease, or any illness within the district, is attributable to milk supplied by any dairyman, or by one or other of several dairymen, the Local Authority may require any of such dairymen—

(1) whether within or without the district, to furnish them, within a specified period of not less than 24 hours, with a full and complete list of the names and addresses of all his customers, so far as known to him, on payment at the rate of 6d. for every 25 names;

(2) to furnish them with a full and complete list of the names and addresses of the farmers, dairymen, or others from whom, during a specified period, he has obtained supplies of milk, and, if required, to produce and exhibit to the Medical Officer all invoices, pass-books, accounts, or contracts connected with his business.

Penalties are imposed for any failure, and may be recovered, if the dairy is situated outwith the district, at the instance of the local Procurator-Fiscal.

Clause 19. Power to enter and inspect dairies, &c.

Powers are conferred on—

(1) the Local Authority, and any officers appointed by them, to enter, inspect, and examine any dairy;

(2) the Medical Officer to examine any person employed or residing at any dairy; and

(3) the Veterinary Inspector to examine the cattle in any dairy.

The dairyman must give all reasonable facilities and assistance.

Clause 20. Power to take samples of milk.

Power is conferred on the Medical Officer of Health or Veterinary Inspector personally, or by any one exhibiting their authority, to take samples of milk for examination, and to require any cow to be milked in their presence. Such samples must be taken if required by the Medical Officer of Health in any district in which the milk is supplied.

Clause 21. Power for Veterinary Inspector to apply tuberculin test.

The Veterinary Inspector, with the previous consent of the owner, may apply to any cow in any dairy within his district the tuberculin or other reasonable test for tuberculosis.

Clause 22. Local Authority may appoint committees.

Power is conferred on Local Authorities to appoint Committees, the quorum of which shall, unless otherwise specified in their appointment, be two.

Clause 23. Penalties.

Penalties are provided for offences under the Act, which shall not exceed £10, with a further penalty not exceeding £5 for every day during which the offence continues. Power is also conferred on the Sheriff, in addition to any pecuniary penalty imposed, to cancel the licence held by the dairyman by summary Order. The dairyman (but not the Local Authority) may appeal to the Lord Ordinary on the Bills against such Order.

Clause 24. Recovery of penalties.

Unless otherwise provided, penalties are recoverable before the Sheriff of the District in which the dairy is situated.

Clause 25. Expenses of Local Authority.

All expenses incurred by the Local Authority are to be charged to the Public Health General Assessment.

Clause 26. Repeal of Acts.

This clause and the schedule repeal general or local Acts inconsistent with the Act.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 21st June, 1909.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

MILK AND DAIRIES (SCOTLAND) BILL.

NOTES BY COUNTY CLERK.

Reference is made to the accompanying Notes by the County Medical Officer and to the Notes on Dairies Legislation by the County Medical Officer and the County Clerk last year.

The present Bill calls for little explanation, as it has been drafted with care, and for the most part is self explanatory.

Attention is, however, directed to the following points as involving important questions affecting administration and principle:—

(1) Appointment of Veterinary Inspector.—If the Bill passes, the carrying out of its provisions and of those of the relative Tuberculosis Order will, in a county such as Lanarkshire, call for the appointment of a Veterinary Surgeon, who will require to devote his whole time to the duties. As matters stand, separate appointments might be made by the County Council and the several District Committees acting in their respective capacities as Local Authorities under the Diseases of Animals Acts and the Public Health Acts respectively. This might lead to overlapping of duties, greater expense, and less efficiency. It is, therefore, suggested that the principle applying to the appointment of County Medical Officers of Health and County Sanitary Inspectors under the Local Government Act, 1889, should apply. In that event, the County Council would appoint a Veterinary Inspector for the whole county, whose services the District Committees could command if they so desired. The expense would, in such a case, be apportioned to the several assessment accounts liable therein in due proportion.

(2) Definition of Dairyman.—Under the Bill the definition includes every person who sells milk. This involves the registration and inspection of every place from which milk is sold, irrespective of whether it is for general consumption or merely for farm servants or near neighbours, the only relaxation in such cases being that Bye-laws under paragraph (*b*) of Sub-Section (1) of Section 6 would not apply. Under the corresponding clauses of the English Bill now before Parliament, a person who "only sells milk of his own cows in small quantities to his workmen or neighbours for their accommodation" is not classed as a dairyman, and is exempt from the general provisions of the Bill.

(3) Procedure in case of Outbreak of Infectious Disease in a Dairy.—Under the Scotch Bill it would be necessary for a meeting of the Local Authority or its Executive Committee being summoned before the County Medical Officer took any steps to stop the milk supply from a suspected dairy. This would, in most cases, render precautionary measures useless, as, to be effective, there should be no delay in stopping a milk supply that is suspected of conveying disease to the consumer. Under the English Bill the Medical Officer is authorised to issue, at his own hand and discretion, a temporary Order, which would have the effect of prohibiting the supply of milk from the suspected dairy pending the instructions of the Local Authority. As the Bill provides effective protection to the dairyman in the event of his being able to prove unreasonable restrictions on his trade, there seems no reason why the useful and necessary provision in the English Bill should not be applied to Scotland.

(4) Compensation to Dairyman.—The Scotch Bill infers that the dairyman is to be compensated for damage to his trade in every case where the milk supply has been stopped, *unless* the Local Authority can prove that the *dairyman was himself in default.* The English Bill, on the other hand, proceeds on the assumption that compensation shall only be paid where the dairyman can prove that the Local Authority acted "without due cause." The difference in principle is material, as it will be in result, if the Bills are passed in their present form. The point, therefore, requires very careful consideration.

NOTES

ON THE

TUBERCULOSIS ORDER OF 1909

MADE BY

THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

The issue of this Order contemporaneously with the introduction of Bills, one of whose objects is to afford protection to public health from the risk of the spread of tuberculosis, has been made with a view to the whole proposals of the Government on the subject being placed before Parliament. The Milk and Dairies Bill and the Order being therefore part of the same policy, it is proper that they should be considered together, in order that the full purport and scope of the Government's proposals may be fully understood.

In their circular accompanying the Order the Board of Agriculture point out that the subject of tuberculosis in man and in animals and the relations between the disease in human beings and in animals has been under careful investigation during recent years; that the various phases of the question have been enquired into by successive Royal Commissions; and that, as a result of these investigations and enquiries, they are satisfied that it must now be accepted as a fact that tuberculosis is transmissible by the agency of milk used for human consumption. Any action which results in the reduction of tuberculous bovine animals in the country must consequently reduce the risk of the spread of tuberculosis amongst the community. The main object of the Order is, therefore, to secure the destruction of every cow found to be suffering from tuberculosis of the udder; all bovine animals which are emaciated from tuberculosis; and also any cow which is proved to be giving tuberculous milk.

PROVISIONS OF THE ORDER.

Notice of disease. Art. 2.

Every person who possesses or has charge of (1) any cow which is or appears to be suffering from tuberculosis of the udder, indurated udder, or other chronic disease of the udder, and (2) any bovine animal which is or appears to be emaciated from tuberculosis, shall, without delay, inform the Local Authority, who shall intimate to the Public Health Authority.

Inspection and examination. Art. 3

The Local Authority, if they have reasonable grounds for suspecting the existence of tuberculosis, shall, with all practicable speed, cause the Veterinary Inspector to examine the suspected animal.

The Veterinary Inspector may extend his examination to any bovine animals which have been in contact with the suspected animal, and for the purpose of assisting him in his diagnosis as regards such animals he may apply the tuberclin test, with the previous consent of the owner or of his agent in writing, but not otherwise.

Slaughter of diseased animals. Art. 4.

Under this Article, the Local Authority are required to cause every animal found by them to be diseased within the meaning of the Order to be slaughtered, provided that, if the owner objects, it shall not be slaughtered without the special authority of the Board; provided also that this special authority shall not be given in the case of an animal valued at more than £30, if and so long as the animal is detained and isolated, and the milk, if any, is dealt with in accordance with the provisions of the Order.

If the value of an animal proposed to be slaughtered, as agreed or certified, exceeds £30, the Local Authority shall not proceed with the slaughter unless so directed by the Board.

Valuation for confirmation. Art. 5.

Before the slaughter of an animal, the Local Authority shall agreed, in writing, with the owner as to the value thereof in its condition at the time of valuation. If they fail to agree, the value shall be ascertained by a valuer appointed by them or appointed on the application of the Local Authority by the Board.

In ascertaining the value of an animal, regard must be had to any Act, Order, or Regulation dealing with the sale or use of milk, milk products, or carcases for human food.

The value shall be ascertained both on the basis of the certificate of examination showing that the animal was suffering from tuberculosis, and also on the basis of its not showing that the animal was suffering from tuberculosis.

Post-mortem examination of slaughtered animals. Art. 6.

The carcase of an animal slaughtered shall, at the time of slaughter, or as soon thereafter as possible, be examined by the Local Authority's Veterinary Inspector, or (if so required by the owner before it is slaughtered) by some other Veterinary Surgeon, who, failing agreement between the Local Authority and such owner, shall be nominated by the Board, but paid by the Local Authority.

Compensation. Art. 7.

If the Local Authority fail to carry out the examination required by Article 6, or if the certificate of examination does not show that the animal was suffering from tuberculosis, the Local Authority shall pay to the owner *a sum equal to the value of the animal*, as agreed upon, *and a further sum of twenty shillings*.

If the certificate of the examination shows that the animal was suffering from tuberculosis (not being advanced tuberculosis) the Local Authority shall pay a sum equal to *three-fourths of the value* of the animal, as agreed or certified.

If the valuation was made by a valuer appointed by the Board, and if any examination of the carcase was made by a Veterinary Surgeon other than the Veterinary Inspector, half of the cost shall be deducted from the amount of compensation payable.

If the certificate shows that the animal was suffering from advanced tuberculosis, the amount of compensation shall be *one-fourth of the value* of the animal, as agreed or certified, *or the sum of £2*, whichever sum is the greater after deducting half of the cost of valuation and examination as in the preceding case.

The animal slaughtered shall be deemed to have been suffering from advanced tuberculosis—

(*a*) when there is miliary tuberculosis of both lungs;

(*b*) when tuberculous lesions are present on the pleura and peritoneum;

(*c*) when tuberculous lesions are present in the muscular system, or in the lymphatic glands embedded in or between the muscles; or

(*d*) when the carcase is emaciated, and tuberculous lesions are present.

Precautions to be adopted with respect to Milk, &c. Art. 8.

This Article prescribes the precautions to be taken with the milk, &c., of suspected animals.

The milk produced by any cow which is, or appears to be, suffering from tuberculosis shall not be mixed with other milk until the cow has been examined by a Veterinary Inspector, and until the owner has been notified that this Article has ceased to apply to the cow. All milk affected by this Article must be boiled, or otherwise sterilised, and the utensils used in connection therewith must be thoroughly cleaned. A Local Authority or Veterinary Inspector on their behalf may, by written notice, apply the restrictions imposed by this Article to the milk produced by any cow specified in the notice which is suspected of giving tuberculous milk.

Detention and isolation of suspected animals. Art. 9.

Every person possessing a cow which appears to be suffering from tuberculosis must keep the animal isolated so far as practicable, and must also keep the animal in his possession or under his charge until it has been examined by a Veterinary Inspector, and the owner notified that this Article has ceased to apply. The animal, however, may, at any time, be slaughtered by the owner.

The Local Authority or their Inspector may, by written notice, apply this Article to any bovine animal which is being examined under the Order.

Suspicious animals exposed in markets. Art. 10.

This Article makes provision for dealing with suspicious animals exposed in markets, fairs, or sales.

The Order, in short, places tuberculosis amongst the category of diseases scheduled to the Diseases of Animals Acts; and if its provisions are uniformly administered and judiciously applied throughout the country, it should go a long way towards the diminution or eradication of the disease.

The Board would seem to deprecate any extension in particular localities of the measures now to be taken throughout the country generally, as this might, through the adoption of too stringent methods in individual localities, prejudice their general utility.

It is also to be remarked that the enforcement of the provisions of the Order should be commenced with caution, and carried out with due regard to the extent to which the disease is believed to exist amongst cows, and the importance of securing the continuance of an adequate milk supply, and also of avoiding any disorganisation of the important industry concerned.

With regard to the question of compensation, it is to be expected that the initial expenditure will be somewhat heavy; and possibly a more general and thorough application of the provisions of the Order might be looked for if the compensation were to be wholly or partly paid by the Treasury. In this connection, it may be pointed out that while compensation for animals slaughtered under the Glanders and certain other Orders is still a charge upon the local rate, compensation in the case of the slaughter of animals affected or suspected of foot and mouth disease, pleuro-pneumonia, swine fever, which was formerly a charge upon the local rate, is now wholly met out of the Imperial Exchequer.

T. M.

28th June, 1909.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

MILK AND DAIRIES (SCOTLAND) BILL.

TUBERCULOSIS ORDER OF 1909.

MEMORANDUM BY THE COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER

As the County Clerk is preparing some notes upon both the Bill and the Order, I shall deal only with certain administrative aspects of these measures. The Order comes into operation on the 1st January, 1910, and will be administered by the Executive Committee of the County Council, who are the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. The Bill, on the other hand, may not receive legislative approval for some considerable time, and is liable to amendments. Without going into the details of the measures, the subjects dealt with fall naturally under three heads—(1) veterinary inspection of dairy herds for the detection of certain forms of tuberculosis; (2) prevention and control of the spread of human disease by milk contamination; and (3) dairy sanitation, which includes the construction of dairy premises and the management of the business.

1. *Veterinary Inspection of Dairy Herds.*—The provisions in the Bill for veterinary inspection are similar to those already in operation in the three districts of the county. The proposals simply give legislative effect to these, with a compulsitor in the hands of the Local Government Board to cause every Local Authority to fall into line with the work done in this county. Thus, during the winter 1907-8, and the winter 1908-9, the dairy herds were inspected by competent veterinary surgeons mostly devoting their whole time to the work.

The following statement shows the result of inspection:—

Ward.	Year.	Herds.	Cows.	Suspected Tubercle.			Cows with Abnormal Conditions of Udder.							Cows with Normal Udders.
				Samples of Milk.	Result of Inoculation.		Tubercle.	Mammitis.	Eruption on Teats.	Simple Induration.	Indurated Teats.	Atrophy.	Total.	
					+	−								
Upper,	1907-08	150	2,735	20	2	18	2	5	4	4	...	20	53	2,682
Do.,	1908-09	616	10,181	66	6	60	6	114	17	200	28	312	742	9,439
Middle,	1907-08	934	18,621	84	19	59	19	37	88	323	27	669	1,188	17,433
Do.,	1908-09	945	19,025	180	32	48	32	42	57	432	28	344	935	18,088
Lower,	1907-08	121	2,989	17	6	11	6	14	7	42	1	74	162	2,827
Do.,	1908-09	119	2,859	22	8	14	8	27	5	55	5	82	196	2,663

The Executive Committee will note that during the last annual inspection 46 cows were put out of milk and destroyed on account of "tuberculosis of the udder," or "giving tuberculous milk." A large number of these cows were considered valuable animals, and the amount of compensation that would be paid under the Order might amount to about £400. As the veterinary inspection to be made under the Bill and the Order also includes tuberculosis with emaciation, it is almost certain that the number of cows condemned annually will be increased. If reference be made to the Annual Report for 1907, pages 18 to 27, it will be found that the number of cows detected as suffering from tuberculosis of the udder in proportion to the total number examined has gradually increased. Thus, at the first inspections made in the winter of 1900-01, no tubercle was detected at all. For succeeding years the proportion did not exceed ·8 per 1,000, whereas last winter the proportion was increased to 1·4 per 1,000.

No difficulty has been experienced in carrying out the veterinary inspections made on behalf of the District Committees. Any cow found to be giving tuberculous milk has been satisfactorily disposed of. In many instances the cow was at once excluded from the dairy herd, and disposed of either in a public slaughter-house or a knackery, and in no case has the cow been kept for milking. The loss involved was borne wholly by the owner.

The measures now under consideration extend the scope of inspection. Thus, in Clauses 11 and 12 of the Bill, the conditions to be dealt with by the Veterinary Inspector are:—

Tuberculosis, with emaciation.
Tuberculosis of the udder.
Any cow giving tuberculous milk.
Any disease liable to infect or contaminate the milk.
Any sore on the teats accompanied by suppuration, or bleeding.

The Tuberculosis Order also enables the Executive Committee of the County Council to slaughter animals affected with these forms of tuberculosis, and to pay compensation out of local rates.

The procedure to be followed in administering the Tuberculosis Order of 1909 seems to suggest the need of co-operation between the District Committees, as Local Authority under the Public Health Act, and the Executive Committee of the County Council, as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. Probably the objects of the Bill and of the Order above referred to could best be attained by the appointment of a permanent veterinary officer, whose services would be available throughout the whole county. He would be able to make an annual inspection of all the dairy herds with an assistant during the seven months of the year, when dairy cows are mostly indoors. It will be remembered that a suggestion of this kind was made in my Annual Report for 1896, page 129, when reporting upon tuberculosis. Again, in a report dated 5th October, 1901, which was submitted to the Executive Committee and representatives of the District Committees. In connection with these reports, the members of the Upper and Lower Ward Committees agreed to such an appointment being made, but the Middle Ward District Committee delayed the matter. The experience gained since then will no doubt enable the District Committees to make definite proposals to the County Council, as they now know the actual cost of dairy herd inspections.

2. *Prevention and Spread of Human Disease.*—The clauses which deal with the prevention and spread of human disease by contamination of the milk do not contain much that is in advance of the present statute law, and all legislation falls short of what we endeavour to carry out in practice.

3. *Dairy Sanitation.*—The clauses which deal with dairy sanitation, construction, and management, include an annual license by the Local Authority, an annual inspection, and an annual report by the Medical Officer of Health or other officer authorised by the Local Authority for the purpose.

It will be remembered that in the year 1900 revised dairy regulations were made by the Lower and Middle Ward District Committees, but these have failed to obtain the approval of the Local Government Board because the floor space and cubic space provided in the regulations were 36 square feet and 500 cubic feet respectively, whereas the Board insisted upon 50 square feet and 600 cubic feet respectively. I am still of opinion that the District Committees' suggestions are sufficient, and the Board might be again approached on this subject.

J. T. W

County Offices,
Hamilton, 21st June, 1909.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY ROAD BOARD

OF THE

COUNTY OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 1st September, 1909, being a Meeting of the County Road Board of the County of Lanark. 1st September, 1909.

Present—

James R. Auld.
J. P. Baird.
Duncan C. Barr.
William Barr.
David J. Black.
Colonel Buchanan.
Thomas G. Cowan.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
Robert Sharp.
Stuart Spence.
James C. Hope Vere.
John Watt.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, chairman of the Board, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms:— *Notice calling meeting.*

County Offices,
Hamilton, 25th August, 1909.

Sir,

In terms of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, I have to request your attendance at a meeting of the County Road Board, to be held within the County Buildings, Glasgow, *on Wednesday next, 1st proximo, at Twelve o'clock noon,* to consider the propriety of recommending the County Council to declare that the roads and streets named in the List No. I. annexed hereto shall be highways within the meaning and for the purposes of the said Act, and as such shall be added to the List of Roads, Highways, and Bridges made up under Section 41 thereof, and that the road or part of road named in the List No. II. annexed hereto shall cease to be a highway within the meaning and for the purposes of the said Act, and shall be shut up.

There will be laid before the meeting estimates of the cost of highways in each of the districts of the county during the current year, and reports by the District Committees made up in terms of Section 26 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878.

There will be submitted to the Board recommendations by the District Committee of the Middle Ward relative to—

(1) The widening and improving of Dyke Street, Baillieston, in the Parish of Old Monkland, at an estimated cost of £200.

(2) The widening and improving of—

(*a*) Brigg Brae Mill Highway, at Mossend;

(*b*) North and South Highway, at Newmains;

(*c*) Morningside and New Mill Highway, near junction with Morningside and Chapel Highway;

(*d*) Glasgow and Hamilton Highway, at Halfway, Cambuslang;

(*e*) Old Edinburgh Highway, at Viewpark;

(*f*) Burnhead, Woodside, and Netherburn Highway, at Ashgill;

(*g*) Manse Highway, near Wishaw;

(*h*) Auchinraith Highway, at High Blantyre;

(*i*) Omoa and Cleland Highway, at Cleland.

(*j*) Lusshill and Crosshill Highway and Bredisholm Highway, at Baillieston;

at a total estimated cost of £907 15s.

(3) The widening and improvement of Glasgow and Hamilton Highway, at Blantyre—£135.

(4) The improvement of Highway at junction of Elmbank Street and Luggie Road, Bellshill, at an estimated cost of £60.

(5) The widening and improvement of Glenboig Highway, at Glenboig—£40.

The Board may take up any other competent business.

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

LIST No. I.

UPPER WARD.

Parish of Lesmahagow—

The newly constructed portion of road at Coalburn, being a diversion of the Shoulderrigg Highway, extending to 230 yards or thereby.

Parish of Wiston and Roberton—

Kirk Road leading from Millrigg Road to the Parish Church, extending to 109 yards or thereby.

MIDDLE WARD.

Parish of Blantyre—

Church Street, from Glasgow and Hamilton Highway southwards for a distance of 130 yards or thereby.

Parish of Bothwell—

Burdon Street, Mossend, from Brigg Brae Mill Highway westwards for a distance of 36 yards or thereby.

Dean Street, Bellshill, from Davidson Street westwards for a distance of 57 yards or thereby.

Watson Street, Uddingston, from Spindlehowe Highway eastwards for a distance of 104 yards or thereby, thence extending northwards 60 yards or thereby, and southwards 33 yards or thereby.

Parish of Cambusnethan—

School Road, from Morningside and Chapel Highway to North and South Highway, for a distance of 1 furlong 110 yards or thereby.

Parish of New Monkland—

Lady Wilson Street, from South Biggar Highway westwards for a distance of 1 furlong 33 yards or thereby.

LIST No. II.

Parish of Lesmahagow—

That portion of Shoulderrigg Highway, at Coalburn, for which it is proposed to substitute the newly constructed portion of road above referred to, extending to 205 yards or thereby.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Board, of date 5th May, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Reports by District Committees.

Reports by the District Committees on the condition of the highways, made in terms of Section 26 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, were laid upon the table.

Roads to be taken over.

There having been submitted recommendations by the District Committees of the several Wards of the County on the subject of highways, and the meeting, having considered the same, agreed that, on certificates being obtained in each case from the respective Road Surveyors that the roads were in a satisfactory condition to be taken over, the County Council should be recommended that the following roads should be declared to be highways within the meaning and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, and, as such, should be added to the list of roads, highways, and bridges made up under Section 41 thereof:—

Upper Ward.

Parish of Lesmahagow—

The newly constructed portion of road at Coalburn, being a diversion of the Shoulderrigg Highway, extending to 230 yards or thereby.

Parish of Wiston and Roberton—

Kirk Road leading from Millrigg Road to the Parish Church, extending to 109 yards or thereby.

Middle Ward.

Parish of Blantyre—

Church Street, from Glasgow and Hamilton Highway southwards for a distance of 130 yards or thereby.

Parish of Bothwell—

Burdon Street, Mossend, from Brigg Brae Mill Highway westwards for a distance of 36 yards or thereby.

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Parish of New Monkland—

Lady Wilson Street, from South Biggar Highway westwards for a distance of 1 furlong 33 yards or thereby.

Roads to be taken off list of highways.

The meeting further agreed on the proposal of the District Committee of the Upper Ward to recommend that the following road or part of road shall cease to be a

highway within the meaning and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, viz.:—

Parish of Lesmahagow—

That portion of Shoulderrigg Highway, at Coalburn, extending to 205 yards or thereby, for which it is proposed to substitute the newly constructed portion of road above referred to.

Road to be shut up.

The meeting also resolved to recommend the County Council to declare, in terms of Section 43 of the said Act, that the above-mentioned road or part of road shall be shut up.

Road improvements.

On the recommendation of the District Committee of the Middle Ward, the Board approved of the following road improvements, viz.:—

(1) The widening and improving of Dyke Street, Baillieston, in the Parish of Old Monkland, at an estimated cost of £200.

(2) The widening and improving of—

(*a*) Brigg Brae Mill Highway, at Mossend;

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(5) The widening and improvement of Glenboig Highway, at Glenboig—£40.

Estimates of cost of highways.

There having been submitted estimates of the cost of the highways in each of the several districts of the county for the current year, prints of which had been sent to each member of the Board, the same were considered and approved of, and the meeting agreed to recommend their adoption to the Finance Committee and the County Council as the basis of the necessary rating.

Encroachment on Lanark and Hamilton Highway.—Letter from Upper Ward District Committee.

There having been submitted letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward relating to an encroachment on the Lanark and Hamilton Highway, near Crossford, by the erection of a building by Mr. James Leiper, Crossford, and the Clerk having explained the circumstances of the case, the meeting agreed that action should be taken to compel Mr. Leiper to remove the line of building back to the statutory distance.

Motor car traffic.—Letter from County of Salop.

There was submitted and allowed to lie on the table a communication from the County Council of Salop, of date 30th July, 1909, on the subject of motor car traffic.

Communication from Tollcross Ratepayers' Union.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a letter which he had received from the Tollcross Ratepayers' Union, of date 1st July last, drawing attention to the action of the District Committee of the Lower Ward in sanctioning the substitution of the name of Main Street, Tollcross, for Tollcross Road, and stating that the alteration of the name of the street is causing great inconvenience in the locality. After discussion, the following committee were appointed to consider the matter, and, if

necessary, to confer with the District Committee on the subject of it, and to report, viz.:—

James R. Auld.	Colonel Buchanan.
Walter J. Grant.	William Neilson.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell to be chairman of the committee, and two a quorum.

Second International Road Congress.—Appointment of delegates.

There having been submitted to the meeting an invitation to this County Council to appoint representatives to attend the Second International Congress of the Road, to be held in Brussels in July, 1910, for the consideration of the construction and character of roads with the view to adapting them to the new modes of locomotion, the meeting, after consideration, appointed Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell and the County Clerk to attend the Congress as the delegates of this County Council.

Development and Road Improvement Funds Bill.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the Development and Road Improvement Funds Bill, and he explained to the meeting the provisions of the Bill so far as affecting road improvement. The meeting, after discussion, remitted to the following committee to confer with the Parliamentary Bills Committee, with power to take such action in connection with the Bill as they may consider advisable, viz.:—

John Adam.	John Watt.
James Anderson.	Colonel Buchanan.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL DISTRICTS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 15th September, 1909, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed with reference to Special Districts under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894. — 15th September, 1909.

Present—

JOHN ADAM.
JAMES R. AULD.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
A. D. MACK.
Col. DENNISTOUN MITCHELL.
JAMES PRENTICE.
JAMES TONNER.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

Attending—

Dr. WILSON, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, and stated that the usual public intimation of the meeting had been given in the *Glasgow Herald* newspaper. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 21st April last, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 26th June last, transmitting, in terms of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, resolutions of the District Committee (1) forming a special district for the purpose of scavenging in the Parish of Old Monkland to include Carmyle, Mount Vernon, Fullarton, &c.; and (2) adopting, within the said Special Scavenging District, Sections 107 to 127 and 253 to 255, all inclusive, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, and Section 24 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903. — *Resolution of Committee of Middle Ward forming special scavenging district for Carmyle, Mount Vernon, Fullarton, &c.*

There was also laid before the meeting a map showing the proposed district, together with information as to the valuation of the district and the present assessments levied therein by the County Council. — *Map submitted.*

The Clerk submitted a letter from Messrs. James Dunlop & Company, Ltd., Clyde Iron Works, Tollcross, appealing against the inclusion of their works in the proposed scavenging district, and stating that they desired to be heard in support of their objections. Mr. Walter Buchanan, as representing Messrs. James Dunlop & Company, Ltd., was thereafter introduced to the committee. — *Appeal by Messrs. James Dunlop & Company, Ltd., against inclusion of their works.*

Statement by company's representative.

The meeting having heard a statement by Mr. Buchanan in support of the company's objections, and the chairman having intimated that the committee would carefully consider the representations made to them, Mr. Buchanan withdrew.

Appeal dismissed. — Agreed to give Council's consent.

The meeting, after careful consideration, did not see their way to give effect to the objections stated on behalf of Messrs. James Dunlop & Co., Ltd., and, on the motion of Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Tonner, and as empowered by the County Council, agreed to give, and hereby give, in terms of Sub-section 3 of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, as read along with Section 38 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, as amended, the County Council's consent to the resolutions of the District Committee of the Middle Ward (1) forming a special district, for the purpose of scavenging, in the Parish of Old Monkland, to include Carmyle, Mount Vernon, Fullarton, &c., all as described in the advertisement of the resolution published in the *Hamilton Advertiser* newspaper, of date 3rd July, 1909, and as delineated upon the map submitted to the meeting; and (2) adopting, within the said Special Scavenging District, Sections 107 to 127 and 253 to 255, all inclusive, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, and Section 24 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903.

Public intimation of resolutions.

The meeting instructed the Clerk to give such public intimation of these resolutions as may be required by the Statute.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE *RE* HAIRMYRES REFORMATORY.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 6th October, 1909, being a Meeting of the Special Committee appointed by the County Council in connection with the proposal to appropriate the whole or part of the County Property at Hairmyres as a site for a Consumptive Sanatorium. 6th October, 1909.

Present—

John Adam.	Thomas Fulton.
James R. Auld.	Walter J. Grant.
J. P. Baird.	George Green.
William Barr.	Robert Lambie.
Colonel Buchanan.	A. D. Mack.
John P. Campbell.	William Neilson.
Walter C. B. Christie.	John D. Scott.
James H. Fenton.	Thomas F. Wilson.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Thomas F. Wilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 4th November, 1908, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There was submitted to the meeting a joint-report (Appendix) by the County Clerk and the County Medical Officer upon (1) the results of experience in the administrative control of pulmonary phthisis, and the need for providing further accommodation for the treatment of such cases; and (2) the results, financial and otherwise, of the working of the Inebriate Reformatory. *Joint-report by County Clerk and County Medical Officer.*

Recommendation that further accommodation for phthisis cases be provided.

The meeting, after discussion, and in view of the limited accommodation in the County and the uncertainty of its continuing to be available for the treatment of phthisis patients, agreed that it was desirable that further accommodation should be provided for the treatment of such cases by the erection of a separate building; that should it be so resolved, either a separate building or buildings might be erected at Hairmyres, or if it were compatible with the continuance of the Inebriate Reformatory, use might be made of the existing Reformatory buildings as an administrative block in connection with separate pavilions for phthisis patients; and that, with a view to discussing the whole question, a conference be arranged with representatives of the District Committees of the County on an early date.

The County Medical Officer was meantime instructed to report further as to the practicability in the present circumstances of using the Reformatory buildings as an administrative block, without interfering with the use to which they may in future continue to be put as an Inebriate Reformatory.

Recommendation to remit back to committee.

The meeting further resolved that the County Council be recommended to remit the whole question, including the present and prospective position of the Reformatory, back to this committee for further consideration and report.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT-REPORT BY THE COUNTY CLERK AND THE COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER UPON (1) THE RESULTS OF EXPERIENCE IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OF PULMONARY PHTHISIS AND THE NEED FOR PROVIDING FURTHER ACCOMMODATION FOR THE TREATMENT OF SUCH CASES, (2) THE RESULTS, FINANCIAL AND OTHERWISE, OF THE WORKING OF THE INEBRIATE REFORMATORY.

PULMONARY PHTHISIS.

The special measures adopted in the latter part of 1905 by the District Committees for the control and prevention of pulmonary phthisis were dealt with in a special report issued in July, 1906, and the experience gained since then has been summarised in the Annual Reports of the County Medical Officer.

Notification.

The report for the year 1908 shows that the cases notified by medical practitioners under the Infectious Disease Notification Act, 1889, in the respective Wards were—Upper, 68; Middle, 301; Lower, 49—making a total of 418 for the county. Of that number 207 died during the course of the year. To this must be added 60 deaths in which the illness had not been notified. The total deaths for the county was therefore 267, and gave a death-rate of 0·91 per 1,000 of the population, or 9·1 per 10,000 of the population

Compulsory notification during the first year of operation failed to bring under notice about 23 per cent. of the fatal cases. Of those notified many died shortly after the notification was received. The experience during the current year shows some improvement in this respect, but deaths from pulmonary phthisis, of which we have had no previous notification of illness, still appear in the Registrars' Returns.

An effort has been made to keep in touch with all patients who have been brought under observation by notification or otherwise, and a table is given in the Annual Report for 1908 (see page 164) to show for the Middle Ward District the number surviving in each year. It is there pointed out that many of the surviving cases were lost sight of by their having left the district, or changed their address. A similar table for the three districts combined is here given:—

Tabular Statement showing the number of Cases Notified and Deaths Registered each year, 1905*-1908; also certain relations between Cases and Deaths in the County of Lanark:—

Year.	Cases.	Deaths.	Fatal Cases.		Cases under Observation.	
			Notified.	Unnotified.	Number.	Fatality per cent.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1905*	117	295	13	282	117	11·1
1906	357	256	84	461	461	18·0
1907	303	272	116	158	680	17·0
1908	413	267	207	60	977	21·1

* From the month of June.

Taking the year 1908 we find in column six that the total number of cases on record during the course of that year was 977. The number notified during that year was 413, as given in column two. The deaths among the cases notified was 207, so that the number under observation at the close of the year was 770. It must be added, however, that only about one-half of these cases are really known to be living in the districts of the county, and these by no means adequately represent the prevalence of pulmonary phthisis either in its early or advanced stages.

Hospital Treatment.

The hospital accommodation made available for consumptive patients has so far proved equal to the demand. As mentioned in the interim report, submitted on 2nd October, 1907, "No one who has sought hospital treatment, either in the early or advanced stages of the disease, has been denied admission, although occasionally some delay has taken place." All the hospitals, seven in number, have shared in this work, as shown in the following table:—

Table showing Admissions to County Hospitals from June, 1905, to August, 1909.

Hospital.		1905	1906	1907	1908	1909	Totals.
Motherwell,		22	74	104	53	—	253
Lightburn,	M.,	20	40	23	24	—	251
	L.,	20	48	49	25	2	
Shotts,	M.,	6	20	14	13	29	84
	L.,	—	—	—	—	2	
Stonehouse,	M.,	39	49	33	61	55	239
	L.,	—	—	—	—	2	
Longriggend,	M.,	—	14	9	19	24	69
	L.,	—	—	—	—	3	
Bellshill,	M.,	—	—	—	—	31	46
	L.,	—	—	—	—	15	
Roadmeetings,		2	5	3	6	7	23
Total,		109	250	235	201	170	965

Altogether, 965 persons have been admitted from June, 1905, to August, 1909. The patients allocated according to district were as follows:—Upper Ward, 23; Middle Ward, 776; and Lower Ward, 166.

Stonehouse Hospital, which is specially well suited for the treatment of consumptives, has been almost entirely devoted to this work, and no special accommodation has been provided at any of the hospitals beyond a few wooden shelters. It will be observed that the hospital at Bellshill, which is specially reserved for small-pox, has been called into use during the current year. This was owing to the increased demand for accommodation required by ordinary infectious cases, scarlet fever having become very prevalent during the last eighteen months. The total bed accommodation available for consumptive patients during normal demands might be stated thus:—Stonehouse, 20 beds; Motherwell, 22; Lightburn, 18; Shotts, 10; Longriggend, 10; and Roadmeetings, 4—total, 84. Should it be necessary, however, to increase this accommodation, the sites of the existing hospitals could permit of the following extensions:—Stonehouse,

16 beds; Motherwell, 22; Shotts and Longriggend, 10 each—total, 58; making the possible accommodation 142. The Small-pox Hospital at Bellshill is very centrally situated, and has bed accommodation for 30 patients. In the absence of small-pox it might still be utilised for consumptives, which would bring the total possible accommodation up to 172 beds.

The results obtained have fully justified the expectations held out at the meeting of 12th April, 1905, when it was stated that "the voluntary isolation and treatment of persons suffering from phthisis should, if judiciously carried out, prove acceptable and beneficial to the community." The demand for hospital treatment is as great, if not greater, to-day than it was in 1905. Although, in many of the cases admitted, the disease was in the advanced stages, there were very few patients who did not feel the benefit of hospital treatment. Many of those admitted in the early stages of the disease are reported to be in the best of health, and at work either in this country or abroad. The relief afforded by the removal of a consumptive inmate to hospital has, in numerous instances, been gratefully acknowledged. This perhaps appeals more to the philanthropic or sentimental side of human nature, and it might be said that Local Authorities were only justified in undertaking hospital treatment when they could shew that not only was the patient benefited, but that there was a lessening of the prevalence and fatality from this disease. It should, however, be remembered that hospital treatment for ordinary infectious diseases such as scarlet fever, typhoid fever, and diphtheria cannot be justified solely by the slight reduction in the prevalence and fatality of these diseases. Indeed experience would seem to show that the relief in the home and the comfort given the patient are quite as important.

The treatment carried out in hospital is similar to that adopted in a modern sanatorium. Most of the patients remain in hospital for at least three months; live as much as possible in the open air; receive nutritious and wholesome food; and wear suitable clothing. The duration of residence prescribed in most cases is a minimum of three months. Some of the patients, however, in the advanced stages, have a shorter residence; but the average duration of residence of all cases, including re-admissions, is about ten weeks. The records show great variation, some patients being only in a few days, while one or two have been in for nearly a year.

Summary of Experience.

1.—There is a large number of persons suffering from well marked pulmonary phthisis that are not notified, and do not receive hospital treatment.

2.—There are some persons notified suffering from well marked symptoms of the disease who do not care to enter our present hospitals, and might go to an institution where a moderate payment would require to be made, say £1 per week.

3.—There are persons though not suffering from well marked symptoms of the disease show a tendency to pulmonary phthisis They cannot be termed consumptives, and yet it is of the utmost importance that they should be brought under suitable preventive treatment. For such cases it is desirable that they should go to some institution not necessarily a sanatorium, where they would be under medical supervision for a moderate charge.

Some people are so sensitive that they would go to a hydropathic establishment just to avoid the suggestion of suffering from phthisis.

Suggestions.

The measures presently in force fall far short of the objects aimed at by preventive medicine, yet it is not desirable that any further movement should be made without careful investigation and inquiry, The following matters are specially mentioned for consideration:—

1.—As regards the work done by the three District Committees, medical practitioners ought to be consulted as to the results obtained and as to how the benefits could be extended.

2.—Parochial Authorities require to be consulted, as there is a desire on their part to have their consumptive patients treated by the Public Health Authorities.

3.—Benefit Societies ought also to be consulted, as in the absence of any State Insurance it is most difficult to get our working population sent early to hospital.

4.—Other Local Authorities have not yet provided much, if any, accommodation for consumptives.

It might be desirable that a conference should be arranged, when all interested parties could meet.

Special reference should be made to the memorandum by the Local Government Board on the administrative control of pulmonary phthisis, dated 10th March, 1906, wherein they recommend Local Authorities to combine in providing curative hospitals for early cases.

The property owned by the County Council at Hairmyres could be readily utilised for the treatment of consumptive persons should the Council resolve to devote it to this purpose. The existing buildings would form a good administrative home for the staff, and the ground facing the south could be covered with shelters for at least fifty patients at a very moderate cost.

INEBRIATE REFORMATORY.

There is appended to this report the précis of evidence which was recently submitted by the County Clerk to the Departmental Committee, and which contains a history of the institution and the results so far attained.

Reference is made to the recent report of the Departmental Committee on the subject of the care of inebriates, which in effect admits the inadequacy of the law as it stands at present to solve the difficult problems which the question involves, and advocates the necessity for improved legislation. The experience in this county has, unfortunately, shown that permanent reclamation of the class with whom the Acts deal is exceptional, and that except for the relief to the community and to the families of inebriates during the period of their compulsory detention, and for a longer or shorter time in varying cases during which the influence of the residence in the Reformatory is felt, no radical cure can be recorded, and, indeed, can hardly be looked for unless powers of further detention or active supervision are conferred on the Local Authority.

The Departmental Report makes the important suggestion that the class of inebriates which the Reformatory has hitherto been accommodating should be left to the care of the State, but that Local Authorities should be charged with the duty of providing for the care of inebriates who do not come under the criminal law. If this were given effect to, a new problem, and one possibly more hopeful of solution, might be dealt with in the Reformatory.

The following Statement shows the present position as regards the number of inmates:—

Reg. No.	Name.	Date of Admission.	Date of Discharge.
1	Mary Conroy or Diamond.	3rd June, 1905,	3rd June, 1908.
2	Mary Thomson,	6th Feb., 1906,	Removed to Hartwood Asylum on 30th July, 1906.
3	Elizabeth Ward or Doak,	16th Mar., 1906,	25th Mar., 1909.
4	Annie M'Laughlin,	17th Mar., 1906,	17th Mar., 1909.
5	Elizabeth Wilson or Adam,	25th Sept., 1906,	25th Sep., 1909.
6	Mary Callaghan or Smith.	14th Nov., 1906,	18th Nov., 1908.
			Expiry of Sentence.
7	Annie Leggat or Campbell,	22nd Dec., 1906,	22nd Dec., 1909.
8	Grace Loudon or Barr,	5th Jan., 1907,	5th Jan., 1910 (at present on licence).
9	Mary M'Auslan,	15th Mar., 1907,	15th Mar., 1910.
10	Jane Percy or Lamont,	28th Mar., 1907,	29th Dec., 1908 (from State Reformatory at Perth).
11	Annie Berry or M'Mahon,	28th Mar., 1907,	11th Dec., 1909 (from State Reformatory at Perth, but re-transferred on 18th June, 1907).
12	Elizabeth Robertson or Potts,	28th Mar., 1907,	7th January, 1910 (at present on licence).
13	Isabella Anderson or M'Cracken,	18th Dec., 1907,	18th Dec., 1910.
14	Mary Ann M'Culloch,	17th Mar., 1908,	17th Mar., 1911.

It will be observed from the above statement that the sentences in the case of four of the inmates will expire by 8th January next, so that unless other patients are committed in the interval, there will remain in the Reformatory at that date only three inmates.

As stated in the Precis of Evidence, the Capital Expenditure involved amounted to £6,361, while the annual cost to the County Council, according to the accounts of the financial year last published, was £663, representing a rate of one-twelfth of a penny per £ on the assessable valuation of the County.

The lands of Hairmyres belong to the County Council and extend to about 85 acres, of which not more than three acres are in use in connection with the Reformatory, the remaining 82 acres being let on yearly lease. They are accordingly available for any use to which the County Council may desire to put them.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

JOHN T. WILSON,
County Medical Officer.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 1*st October*, 1909.

APPENDIX.

FEBRUARY, 1909.

DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON THE INEBRIATES ACTS, 1879 TO 1900.

PRECIS OF EVIDENCE

OF

Mr. THOMAS MUNRO,

COUNTY CLERK OF LANARKSHIRE.

I am County Clerk of Lanarkshire.

The population of the County, excluding burghs and police burghs—*i.e.*, the area in which the County Council is Local Authority under the Acts—may be estimated at 294,500.

The County also includes the following burghs and police burghs, viz. :—Govan, Partick, Airdrie, Coatbridge, Motherwell, Wishaw, Hamilton, Rutherglen, Lanark, and Biggar, the population of which is estimated at 354,978, making a total for the County, inclusive of the burghs, of 649,478.

The town councils of the burghs are separate local authorities under the Acts.

The County Council first took into consideration the question as to whether the provisions of the Inebriates Acts should be put nto operation in the County in 1899, when, on a remit from the County Council, a Committee of the Council very carefully considered the whole matter.

They submitted their first report in December of the same year.

That report pointed out certain matters of detail in which the Acts were defective in their application to counties in Scotland, and stated that, without an amendment of the Acts with respect to those matters, the Committee considered it would be difficult for the County Council to take action. These defects referred to questions of rating for the expenditure in counties, the position of police burghs, which was indeterminate, and the denomination of the Courts for dealing with offences under the Acts.

The Committee further pointed out that it would seem expedient that, in the first instance, the duty of establishing Inebriate Reformatories should be undertaken by the State, leaving it optional to Local Authorities or private individuals to exercise the powers conferred upon them as they might see fit. The Committee, considered that, looking to the few cases which had up till then been dealt with under the Acts, and to the fact that an increase in the number of convictions in the future was problematical, the multiplication of Reformatories by individual Local Authorities would not be justified.

In the whole circumstances they reported that it would seem that the establishment of one State Reformatory for the whole of Scotland would at the time amply suffice, and that by concentrating all cases dealt with under the Act, under one efficient administration, the needless expense of separate and necessarily small and partially equipped establishments would be avoided, and better results in every way attained.

The Committee, however, agreed that the comparatively few cases dealt with under the Act might be accounted for by the fact that the Judicial authorities were aware that no Inebriate Reformatory existed to which these cases could be sent, and that should a Reformatory be established it was possible that more commitments might be made.

They stated that if such should be the case, and if the need for Reformatories, other than those established by the State should arise, they believed that the County Council would consider it to

be their duty to establish a Reformatory, either by themselves or in conjunction with neighbouring local authorities. They accordingly asked that the matter might be remitted back to them with a view to their endeavouring to secure an amendment of the Acts, and to their again reporting to the County Council, should they consider that action was called for, either in the direction of establishing a Reformatory or contributing to such an institution.

The committee again reported in May, 1900, that there was a prospect that the Bill then before Parliament would pass and that it would obviate certain of the difficulties under the existing Acts, viz., as to rating and borrowing.

They further reported that no facts had emerged since their last report which went to show that such a number of cases was likely to occur in Lanarkshire as would justify the establishment of a separate reformatory, but they recommended that they should be authorised to communicate with the Corporation of Glasgow to see if an arrangement could be arrived at under which that Corporation would take Lanarkshire patients into their reformatory at Girgenti on a contribution being made from the county.

The committee again reported in May, 1901 that the Act of the previous year had removed the difficulties as to rating and borrowing, and that should the need for an inebriate reformatory be shown to exist in Lanarkshire, the council were in a position to make the necessary provision to meet the required expenditure.

They also reported that they had been in communication with the Corporation of the City of Glasgow, with a view to an arrangement being come to for the admission of cases from the County to the City Reformatory at Girgenti, but that the Corporation regretted that they could not, in view of the fact that the accommodation in that reformatory was limited, enter into the proposed arrangement.

The committee accordingly recommended that it be remitted back to them to make enquiry as to whether premises suitable for

an Inebriate Home could be acquired, and to confer with the Sheriff of the county as to how many commitments to such a home might be anticipated.

This report was unanimously approved of by the County Council at their May meeting, and the committee thereafter took the matter into their careful consideration.

They submitted a report to the October meeting of the County Council, in which they fully detailed the arrangements that had been made by other local authorities in England and Scotland.

As regards the position in Lanarkshire, they again reported that no cases had occurred under the Acts; and they pointed out that as the recent Act had made it clear that the Police Burghs in the county are themselves local authorities under the Acts, the responsibility which rested upon the County Council was materially lessened.

While there had been no actual cases in the county, the committee made careful enquiry as to the probable number of cases that might be likely to occur should the Acts be put rigourously into operation. They also conferred with the judicial authorities on the whole subject.

The information submitted was that there were at that time only about six confirmed inebriates (females) in the county who were fit subjects for treatment in an inebriate reformatory.

The report went on to state that:—

Looking to the initial cost to be incurred, the high maintenance charges consequent upon having to keep a capable staff employed at all times, and to the doubtful question whether any considerable number of patients, if indeed any, would be committed, the committee are persuaded that to start an Inebriate Reformatory for Lanarkshire at this juncture would be inexpedient, and, in the circumstances, they have refrained from exercising the powers which the Council entrusted to them.

The committee at the same time recognise, especially in view of the experience in Glasgow and London, that the need for an institution of this

kind in Lanarkshire may arise at no distant date, and, if this should be the case, they feel sure that the Council will be prepared to deal with the matter in an adequate manner. In such a contingency the following courses might be open to the Council, viz. :—

(1) The establishment or the recognition of some already existing privately managed Inebriate Reformatory, to which local authorities would contribute either by way of capital or annual payments, or both, and on the board of management of which they might, if so desired, have representation.

(2) A combination of local authorities for the erection and maintenance of an Inebriate Reformatory capable of serving a wide district, thus reducing both the capital and maintenance charges.

(3) The erection and maintenance by a local authority (*e.g.*, the County Council of Lanark) of an Inebriate Reformatory capable of accommodating not only persons committed in the district of the local authority, but also persons from outside districts. This scheme would have the advantage of minimising the risk of the expenditure incurred remaining unremunerative through the accommodation provided not being fully utilised. A precedent for the suggestion may be found in some of the district lunacy asylums, where accommodation, provided in anticipation of the requirements of the district immediately concerned, but not yet actually required, is put at the disposal of outside authorities at rates which prove remunerative to the district board receiving them, while, at the same time, the arrangement is satisfactory to the outside authorities.

One or other of the courses suggested is open to the Council when the time comes for dealing with the matter in a definite and practical manner. In the meantime, in order to provide for any case in which a commitment under the Acts might be desirable, the committee would suggest that they should be authorised by the Council to intimate to the Sheriff of the County that, in the event of his Lordship or his Substitutes being desirous of committing any person to an Inebriate Reformatory, the Council will be prepared to defray such portion of the expense as may, with the grant from Exchequer, make up the charge made by the authorities of any reformatory prepared to provide the necessary accommodation.

Should this course be agreed to, the committee believe that all immediate requirements would be met, and that the experience to be gained from the operation of the system suggested would be such as to enable the Council, without at present embarking upon a large and possibly useless expenditure to determine, at no distant date, whether one or other of the more permanent means already referred to for dealing with this important subject should be adopted.

This report was unanimously approved of by the County Council.

In December, 1901, being the first meeting of a newly-elected County Council a Special Committee, differing in composition from the previous Committee, was appointed to further consider the matter and to report.

That Committee actively pursued the matter, with the result that in May, 1902, they reported to the County Council that, having interviewed his Majesty's Inspector of Inebriate Reformatories in England; inspected Girgenti Reformatory, and also a number of Inebriate Reformatories in England; and conferred with the Under Secretary for Scotland, they were in favour of the County Council establishing an Inebriate Reformatory for females.

The report went on to state that the "initial efforts of the County Council in inaugurating a system under the Acts will, of course, be more or less experimental, and the committee are strongly of opinion that no large expenditure should be incurred in erecting buildings, until some actual experience has been gained, and that the scheme should be developed as circumstances require."

This report was approved of by the County Council, and the committee thereafter having proceeded with their enquiry as to a suitable site for a Reformatory, purchased part of the estate of Hairmyres, in the Parish of East Kilbride, extending to about 85 acres.

Before proceeding to erect the building, the committee made further enquiry as to the number of probable cases that might be expected, having in view not only the requirements of the County but also of the Burghs in the County who might possibly be willing to co-operate.

On the whole they came to the conclusion that it would not be prudent for them to erect a large building to begin with, but that one sufficient to accommodate 10 females should be proceeded with,

and accordingly competitive plans for such a building were invited. The building was thereafter proceeded with, and was completed and ready for occupancy in December, 1904.

The staff consists of a Lady Superintendent, a nurse, a gardener and his wife, and a consulting medical practitioner.

The net capital expenditure on the Institution to date is £6,361, made up thus:—

Purchase price of Estate, including Interest and cost of Titles and less 25 years purchase of the lands let, ...	£1,420	0	0
Erection of Buildings, including Attendant's Lodge, Installation of Gas Plant, Piggery, Outhouses, &c., ...	4,420	0	0
Improvement of grounds, ...	179	0	0
Furniture and Furnishings, ...	320	0	0
Other expenses, ...	22	0	0
	£6,361	0	0

The annual cost to the County Council, according to the accounts of the financial year last published, was £663, representing a rate of $\frac{1}{12}$th of a penny per £ on the assessable valuation of the County.

This, on the basis of the average daily number of inmates (7·73) for last year, works out at the rate of £86 per patient, £59 of which is in respect of standing charges such as repayment of debt and interest, and £27 in respect of maintenance charges. These figures include, of course, the cost of the board and accommodation provided for the matron and nurse who reside in the Institution.

It is estimated that if the full accommodation of the Institution was used all the year round by County patients, the net cost per bed and per patient to the County would be £700. This would work out at £70 per patient, of which £45 would be in respect of debt and interest and £25 in respect of maintenance charges.

Since the Reformatory was inaugurated fourteen persons have been committed, four discharged, and one transferred back to Perth.

There are at present nine inmates in the Reformatory, of whom six are from the County of Lanark, two from the Burgh of Partick in that County, and one from the State Inebriate Reformatory at Perth.

It will thus be seen that while the Reformatory is a small one it is apparently more than sufficient to meet the actual requirements of the county, and has justified the cautious policy of the County Council in not starting with a more ambitious scheme.

The County Council have intimated to the more important Burghs, and to all the other Counties in Scotland, that they are prepared to take in cases at a charge of 12s. 6d. per week. To this there has been practically no response which would lead one to infer that the Acts are not being put in operation to any great extent. Burghs within the County are charged only 9s. 6d. per week per patient.

Since the Reformatory was established the Committee of Management have instituted enquiry to ascertain whether there were female persons in the County who, although not actually qualified for commitment to a Reformatory, might be considered fit subjects for treatment in a Reformatory. Investigation showed that there were in the County about 20 such women other than those already committed.

Looking to the fact that the population of the County is 294,500, and to the regrettable prevalence of the drinking habit in a certain class of the female population, these figures are somewhat remarkable, and might call for comment.

There may be many reasons for the comparatively small number of commitments by the Courts, but the main one is that there is a natural reluctance to deprive a family of its head if it can at all be avoided. A great deal turns on expediency and public sentiment.

It may be not uninteresting to give a short history of the patients that have been dealt with, as they may be taken as representative of the type of person whom the Legislature intended should be dealt with under the Acts.

It should perhaps be premised that the Reformatory is a comfortable home, and that everything is done for the care and welfare of the inmates, that the surroundings are pleasant, and the whole environment different from what the inmates were previously accustomed to.

While in the home the conduct of the patients is generally good.

The following is a short history of each patient:—

CASE NO. 1.—Age, 46 years; married; 8 children; 41 convictions; 13 times in prison; twice confined in an asylum; illiterate; for some time an outdoor worker and afterwards in service; married when 21; states that she did not taste drink until birth of her first child.

After nearly two years' detention this inmate was allowed out on licence, and, so far as is known, did well for six months. She again gave way to drink on the occasion of her daughter's marriage, and two months' later was convicted for being drunk and disorderly. Since the completion of sentence she has again taken to drink.

Family history—father very intemperate, was drowned while under the influence of drink; mother, temperate, died of phthisis; three brothers all intemperate. Patient's own family are most respectable and well doing.

CASE NO. 2.—Age, 24 years; unmarried; 1 child (born in Reformatory); 31 convictions; 25 times in prison; subject to epileptic fits.

Has had little education. At 13 was a message girl, and since then has followed different occupations. Got into bad company and took to drink. Three months after birth of child she was certified insane and removed to an asylum, where she now is.

Family history—father, mother, and brother, all intemperate.

CASE NO. 3.—Age, 49; married; 11 children; 17 convictions; 9 times in prison; for some time an outdoor worker and thereafter in service.

Began drinking 24 years ago. Domestic worries, she affirms, was the cause. Has been a hard-working, tidy woman, but has a very quick temper. After 11

months' detention here was allowed home to nurse her husband who was very ill. She opened a dairy, which she kept very tidy, baking and selling what she made. Relapsed after 9 months, and is now in Reformatory.

Family history—father died of alcoholism; patient is illegitimate, and was brought up by her grandmother. Two of patient's family are intemperate. The others are well doing. Husband takes drink at times.

CASE No. 4.—Age, 22; single; 25 convictions; 19 times in prison.

When 16 years of age went into a pottery to work, stayed 2 months and left to do cleaning for people. A few months later her mother had a stroke of paralysis, which confined her to bed for 5 years, and patient remained at home to nurse and look after the house. She got into bad company at the age of 17, and led an immoral life, Previous to her admission to the Reformatory she gave promise of a better life. and for some time kept house. Her brothers, who were addicted to drink, ill-used her, and she became disheartened. After 18 months' detention in Reformatory was allowed out to domestic service, but at the end of 6 months she ran away. She said she wanted back to the home. She gave every satisfaction to her mistress, who is very anxious to have her back on completion of her sentence.

Family history—father, mother, and two brothers intemperate.

CASE No. 5.—Age, 38; married; 10 children; 12 convictions; twice in prison; for some time in country service; married at age of 19.

Began to drink 5 years before admission, after the death of a son, and because of domestic worries caused by her husband's drinking habits and bad conduct. Was allowed out on license after 20 months' detention, relapsed, and is now in Reformatory.

Family history—father a well-doing, steady man; mother died young; one brother intemperate.

CASE. No. 6.—Age, 45; married; 12 children; 18 convictions; 15 times in prison; was for some time a farm servant; for 4 years worked in the dairy, afterwards a tile-worker.

Began drinking 9 years ago. Her husband is a steady, well-doing man. Was allowed out on license after 15 months' detention; did well for 8 months, but relapsed about 3 weeks before end of her 2 years' sentence.

Family history—father and mother both temperate, respectable people; two brothers very intemperate, and some of her sons intemperate also.

CASE No. 7.—Age, 27 ; married ; 1 child ; 20 convictions; 13 times in prison. Educated at St. Mary's Industrial School, which she left at age of 16, and was sent to domestic service; got into bad company and began to take drink; thereafter she led a somewhat irregular life, and was admitted to Merryflats Poorhouse, where she gave birth to a daughter. Two months later she got married to the father of her child, but owing to her drunken habits the home was broken up and they separated. The husband is well-doing and steady. Escaped 3 times from Reformatory. Allowed out to service after 22 month's detention, but absconded, and is now in Reformatory.

Family history—father and mother intemperate; one brother was a confirmed drinker, and was hanged for killing his wife; one sister very intemperate.

CASE No. 8.—Age, 42; married; 8 children; 8 convictions; 5 times in prison. When a girl was employed in Printing Works, and thereafter assisted her mother as a seamstress, and later on learned dressmaking.

Began to take drink 18 years ago after the sudden death of her infant. This patient has given no trouble in the Reformatory and is a hard-working, tidy woman. After 14 months' detention was allowed out on license, but relapsed 5 weeks later. She, however, did not get a fair start, as most of her family were out of employment at the time.

Family history—father a total abstainer; mother slightly intemperate; 2 brothers also occasionally intemperate; her 3 children are all total abstainers; husband was at one time given to drink, but is now a total abstainer.

CASE No. 9.—Age, 40; unmarried; 4 children; 33 convictions; 26 times in prison. This inmate in her youth was engaged in various occupations, first in a dairy, then as a servant, and latterly as an outdoor worker. Fourteen years ago she sustained severe bodily injury through an accident, and, after being in the Royal Infirmary, was removed to Motherwell Poorhouse, where her second child was born. Thereafter she became disheartened and took to drink. She is still resident in the Reformatory and gives no trouble.

Family history—father and mother both temperate; one brother and one sister given to drink.

CASE No. 10.—Age, 59; married; 9 children; 54 convictions; 48 times in prison.

This patient was transferred from the State Reformatory at Perth. She was resident here for 21 months, left 6 weeks ago, and, so far, is doing well.

She began to take drink after her second marriage, the marriage being an unhappy one.

Family history—all were well behaved, with the exception of one brother, who has been a drunken waif for many years.

CASE No. 11.—Age, 34; married; no family; 14 times convicted; 11 times in prison. A transfer from Perth; sent back in 3 months owing to bad conduct.

CASE No. 12.—Age, 37; married; 6 children; 3 convictions; 3 times in prison; 6 years at school; kept house for her father and brothers: father died leaving her £600, which she squandered; got married, but was unhappy; her husband was given to drink, which, she says, led her to take it; convictions, all were for cruelty to children (neglect); takes slight epileptic fits.

Family history—none addicted to drink.

CASE No. 13.—Age, 49; married; 10 children; 71 convictions; 42 times in prison; received little education; and at age of 9 went into a match work where she was employed until she was 19 years old, when she got married. She and her husband lived happily until 9 years ago, when he was out of employment and they were turned out of their house. Three of the children were sent to the Poorhouse, and patient affirms that this was the cause of her taking drink. Husband is given to drink.

Family history—father intemperate; mother total abstainer; 2 brothers intemperate.

CASE No. 14.—Age, 17; single; one child; 5 convictions; 3 times in prison.

At age of 14 went into dye-works, where she was regularly employed for two years. Left to nurse her mother, who was very ill with rheumatism. After her mother's death she left her home owing to the drunken habits of her father. Seven months before admission she went into domestic service, but had to leave 4 months later for keeping late hours, having got into bad company. Since admission this patient has given birth to a daughter.

Family history—father very intemperate; mother temperate; brother, age 22, addicted to drink; grandmother also addicted to drink.

It will be observed from the above statement that while in the reformatory the inmates generally behave well and give promise of their reclamation being permanent, their release from control or supervision is in the majority of cases shortly followed by a relapse. One is therefore compelled, however reluctantly, to admit that the mere detention in a reformatory for a period of two or three years is in the great majority of cases useless as a permanent remedy for inebriety.

There is, however, in a number of cases one gratifying feature, namely, that following upon the release of an inmate there is a period of immunity from the drink habit, during which the patient behaves well and attends to her domestic duties. Some hope of a permanent cure might, therefore, be entertained if a patient, after her first relapse, and before the habit has been again confirmed, could be removed from her surroundings.

These facts would seem to point to the necessity for more extensive powers in the direction of a re-commital to a reformatory of a former inmate who has suffered a relapse, or the adoption of some other means of keeping her under strict observation and control.

The remedy, in short, would seem to be that power should be conferred to insist on the patient's return to the Reformatory after the expiry of her sentence should she again indulge in drink, that is to say it should not be necessary before she is again committed that she should have committed during one year the three offences required under the Acts.

The County Council have given careful consideration to what amendments in the law are required in order to deal effectively with the subjects of inebriety, and they have approved of the proposals contained in the Bill known as the "Glasgow Bill,' in the draftmanship of which I was associated with the Town-Clerks of Glasgow and Dundee.

The main object of that Bill is to extend the scope of the Inebriates Acts by providing for the committal to a Reformatory of any person proved to be an habitual drunkard on application to the Court by any relative or other person having a direct interest, provided adequate safeguards are inserted.

There seems no reason why habitual drunkards who cause trouble, and who are incapable of looking after themselves, besides being a source of trouble and anxiety to their friends, should not be dealt with in practically the same way as the mentally diseased now are.

The Council have had evidence that there are cases where a power such as this is required, and I can produce correspondence from persons who desired that members of their families who were addicted to drink might be committed to Reformatory, which, however, the absence of any compulsory power prevented being done.

The experience of this County would seem to confirm the opinion of the County Council that it is not in the public interest that each local authority should inaugurate inebriate establishments, and that the matter is one that rightly lends itself to co-operation amongst local authorities, as while there are obvious disadvantages in each local authority setting up establishments of their own, there are evident advantages in local authorities combining.

I may mention the following considerations :—

(1) Saving of expense.

(2) More efficient reformatories.

(3) The possibility of arranging for classified reformatories.

The latter is a most important desideratum, because it is apparent that, where reformation is aimed at, everything possible should be done by way of keeping vicious inmates separate from those whose only fault is intemperance.

On the question of combination between Local Authorities I refer to what is done under the Lunacy Acts as possibly worthy of the consideration of the Departmental Committee. The scheme of the Lunacy Acts as regards the provision of Lunatic Asylums is, that a large district is taken, and a Lunacy Board constituted, consisting of representatives appointed by Local Authorities having jurisdiction within the district.

The Board provides and manages the Asylum, the capital cost and certain charges known as providing charges being apportioned according to valuation amongst the several County and Town Councils who have power to levy assessments under the Acts,

while the actual cost of maintenance of patients in the Asylum is paid by the Parish Councils of the Parishes to which the patients respectively belong.

With reference to the question of the responsibility of the State and of the Local Authorities respectively, I think that the opinion of this County Council, that State Inebriate Reformatories, to which if necessary contributions might be made by Local Authorities, would have been a reasonable solution of the whole question, but that, failing the State undertaking the control of all classes of inebriates, it is for consideration whether the payments which the Treasury make to the Local Authorities is adequate.

I consider they are not in respect that the Local Authorities, who maintain Inebriate Reformatories, are relieving the State of the cost of the maintenance of a class of the population that would otherwise occupy the prisons.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Chambers, there, upon Friday, 30th April, 1909 years, at two o'clock afternoon, being a Meeting of the Committee on Explosives of the County Council of Lanark appointed for the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward of said County. — 30th April, 1909.

Explosives Committee.

Present—

William Barr, Esq. | John Jackson, Esq.
W. L. Dyer, Esq. | James Scott, Esq.
George Stalker, Esq.

Mr. Scott in the chair. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of meeting of committee held on 29th January, 1909, were submitted, approved, and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

With reference to the various store licenses reported on at last meeting as not having been renewed, the Clerk reported that he had written to the license holders in the terms instructed, and had ascertained that, with the exception of the store at Earnock, licensed in name of John Watson, Ltd., and the store at Skellyton Colliery, in name of the United Collieries, Ltd., all the stores had been given up. — *Unrenewed store licenses.*

With regard to the stores at Earnock and at Skellyton Colliery, the Clerk explained that he had ascertained that, although licensed by the County Authorities for twelve years, the Earnock store is actually in the Burgh of Hamilton, and is now licensed by the Burgh Authorities, and that the United Collieries, Ltd., had transferred their store at Skellyton to the Darngavil Coal Company, Ltd., some months ago.

The Clerk also reported that, on 23rd March, the Darngavil Coal Company, Ltd., were convicted before the Sheriff of a contravention of the Act by keeping a quantity of explosives in an unauthorised place at Skellyton Colliery (being the store before mentioned, for which they had omitted to obtain a license), and were fined £4. — *Prosecution.*

The Clerk further reported that, since the date of last meeting, the following applications for licenses for stores for mixed explosives (which had been examined and approved of by the Inspectors) had been granted, and licenses issued to the applicants on the instructions of the chairman, namely:— — *Store licenses.*

The United Collieries, Ltd., coalmasters, per Thomas Arnot, 109 Hope Street, Glasgow, for Knownoblehill Colliery, Cleland (Parish of Shotts), Division C;

The United Collieries, Ltd., coalmasters, per Thomas Arnot, 109 Hope Street, Glasgow, for Carfin Colliery (Parish of Bothwell), Division B;

The United Collieries, Ltd., coalmasters, per Thomas Arnot, 109 Hope Street, Glasgow, for Townhead Colliery, Cleland (Parish of Bothwell), Division B;

Coltness Iron Company, Ltd., coal and iron masters, per Thomas Russell, for Garriongill Colliery, Overtown, Wishaw (Parish of Cambusnethan), Division A;

unpowder registrations.

and that, since the date of last meeting, there had also been issued two renewals of registrations and the following five new registrations, namely:—

Davies, Black, & Co., grocers, Calder Street, Motherwell;
W. & D. Rennie, cycle agents, 39 Main Street, Wishaw;
The United Collieries, Ltd., coalmasters, per Thomas Arnot, 109 Hope Street, Glasgow, for Bellside Colliery, Cleland (mixed explosives);
The Darngavil Coal Company, Ltd., coalmasters, and Robert Robertson, manager, Larkhall, for Skellyton Colliery, Larkhall (mixed explosives);
James Allan, ironmonger, 17 Waterside Street, Strathaven (mixed explosives).

Police information.

The Clerk submitted a Police Information charging Richard Anderson, miner, residing at No. 50 The Square, Palace Rows, Bothwell, with keeping explosives within his dwelling-house there on 2nd February last without having obtained a certificate under Order in Council No. 12, entitling him to keep same. After consideration, the committee instructed the Clerk to send the information to the Procurator-Fiscal for prosecution.

Instructions to prosecute.

The Clerk explained regarding the risk of evidence being lost by delay in prosecuting in cases of contravention of the Act consequent on all Police Informations lodged with him requiring to be brought before the committee at their quarterly meetings for instructions, and, after some discussion, the meeting authorised the Chairman and Clerk to decide whether, in future, prosecutions were to be instructed on such Police Informations being lodged, and to act accordingly.

Inspectors' reports.

Inspectors Anderson and Moir, who were in attendance, reported verbally that all the stores and registered premises which they had recently visited in their respective districts were in satisfactory order.

NOTE.—Members of the Council are reminded of the Special Meeting of the County Council to be held at two o'clock p.m., or immediately after the Statutory Meeting, notice of which was sent to you on 19th ultimo.

T. M.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK

County Offices,
Hamilton, *11th December, 1909.*

Sir,

I am directed to remind you that the December Statutory Meeting of the County Council will be held *on Tuesday, the 21st current.* The Meeting will take place in the Jury Court No. 2, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), *at Half-past One o'Clock Afternoon.*

It will fall to the Meeting to appoint a Convener of the County, a Vice-Convener, a County Road Board, the County's quota of a Joint-Bridges Committee, the Council's quota of the Lanark District Lunacy Board, and four Members to represent the County on the Committees for visiting Glasgow Prisons (Duke Street and Barlinnie Prisons).

It will also fall to the Meeting to receive and dispose of Reports and Minutes of Committees, copies of which will be sent to the Members of the Council before the day of Meeting.

The Council may, if they so resolve, proceed in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, to fill up the vacancy in the representation of the Govan (Bellahouston) Electoral Division of the County caused by the resignation of Mr. William Kerr.

There will be submitted to the meeting recommendations by—

(1) The District Committee of the Upper Ward to adopt within all existing Special Lighting, Scavenging, Drainage, and Water Districts in the Upper Ward Sections 144, 145, 158, 191 to 200 (as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903) inclusive, of the Burgh Police Scotland Act, 1892; and

(2) The District Committee of the Middle Ward to adopt within all existing Special Lighting, Scavenging, and Drainage Districts within the Middle Ward of the County the sections named;

and the Meeting may, by resolution, give effect to these recommendations.

A Print of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 14th October last, is sent herewith.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN

THE JURY COURT No. 2.

COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW

(ENTRANCE BY 40 WILSON STREET),

On TUESDAY, 21st DECEMBER, 1909,

AT HALF-PAST ONE O'CLOCK AFTERNOON.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.
2. Sederunt to be taken.
3. Statutory Authority for and Notice of Meeting to be read.
4. Intimate appointments of Representatives by Burghs.
5. Minutes of Meeting held on 14th October last, printed and sent out, to be submitted.
6. Resignation of Mr. William Kerr.
7. If so agreed, fill up vacancy in Council and vacancies in Committees.
8. Appoint Convener for year to December, 1910.
9. Appoint Vice-Convener for year to December, 1910.
10. Appoint County Road Board.
11. Appoint Quota of Joint-Bridges Committee.
12. Appoint Council's Quota of Lanark District Lunacy Board.
13. Appoint Quota of Committee for visiting Glasgow Prisons (Barlinnie and Duke Street).
14. Report of Consent by the Standing Joint-Committee.
15. Report by County Analyst under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts for quarter ended 30th September, 1909.

16. Report by District Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, for quarter ended 30th September, 1909.

17. Abstract of Valuation of the County for 1909-1910.

18. Minutes of the following Committees—

(1) Committee on Hamilton Court-houses and County Buildings, of date 14th October, 1909.

(2) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of dates 20th October and 10th November, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Repair of Fences, of dates 26th August and 20th October, 1909.

(3) Weights and Measures, of dates 27th October and 24th November, 1909.

(4) Public Health Committee, of dates 27th October and 24th November, 1909.

Second Report by the County Medical Officer on the Administration of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts.

Letter from Local Government Board.

(5) Finance Committee, of dates 3rd November and 1st December, 1909.

Applications relative to Borrowing—

(*a*) £385 for the extension of sewage disposal works in connection with the Carnwath Special Drainage District;

(*b*) £50 for the purchase of a waste-detecting meter for use in the Lesmahagow Special Water District;

(*c*) £50 for the construction of fireplugs on the distributing mains in Braidwood Special Water District;

(*d*) £50 for the extension and alteration of the distributing pipes in the Carluke Special Water District;

(*e*) £20 for the erection of three additional lamps in the Crosslaw Special Lighting District;

(*f*) £1,500, being proportion applicable to Middle Ward District of £19,035 for the construction of sewage purification works to serve a portion of Mount Vernon Special Drainage District;

(*g*) £324 for the widening and improving of Crossgates and Luggie Road, and others within the Middle Ward District;

(*h*) £111 19s. 8d. for the taking over of a sewer at George Street, West End, Bellshill, within the Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District;

(*i*) £96 12s. 6d. for the erection of lamps and lamp-posts in the Shettleston and Tollcross Special Lighting District.

Sub-Committee *re* Collection of County Rates, of dates 13th and 27th October, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Assessment for Carmyle, &c., Scavenging, of date 1st December, 1909.

(6) Committee *re* Electric Lighting Orders, of date 3rd November, 1909.

(7) Committee on Elections, of date 3rd November, 1909.

(8) Inebriates Committee, of date 10th November, 1909.

(9) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 14th October, 17th November, and 8th December, 1909.

Resolution to adopt provisions of certain sections of Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, within Middle and Upper Wards.

(10) Committee on Special Districts, of date 24th November, 1909.

(11) County Road Board, of date 24th November, 1909.

(12) Executive Committee, of date 8th December, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Veterinary Inspectorship, of dates 24th November and 1st December, 1909.

Conferences with District Committees *re* Veterinary Inspectorship, of dates 24th November and 15th December, 1909.

(13) Explosives Committee for Lower Ward J.P. District, of date 15th December, 1909.

(14) Explosives Committee for Hamilton J.P. District, of dates 26th November and 3rd December, 1909

19. Instruct preparation of Supplementary Valuation Rolls for the Burghs of Govan and Patrick, in terms of Section 60 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903.

20. Request by Govan Labour Representation Committee to be furnished with copies of the County Council Minutes.

21. Letter from Local Government Board regarding appointment of Dr. John F. Macdonald, Assistant Medical Officer.

22. The following communications from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, viz. :—

(*a*) Enclosing excerpts from minutes of meetings of the Second Division Committee and District Committee with reference to the appointment of Mr. Robert Spittal as Road Surveyor for the Second Division, at a salary of £350 per annum, with actual travelling expenses ;

(*b*) Containing resolution not to form a Special Drainage District in the Parish of Dalserf to include Netherburn ;

(*c*) Transmitting resolution approving of the formation of a Special Scavenging District in the Parish of New Monkland in the vicinity of South Biggar Road, Airdrie, to be known as Gartlea Special Scavenging District.

23. Deeds for signature—

(1) Minute of Agreement in duplicate between the Town Council of the Burgh of Kirkintilloch and the Lower Ward District Committee and County Council *re* South Lenzie Water Supply ;

(2) Feu-Contract between R. L. Alston and the County Council for site of Slaughter-house near Stonehouse.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At HAMILTON, and within the County Hall, there, upon Thursday, 14th October, 1909, at twelve o'clock noon, being the October Statutory Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, convened and met as required by Statute, and intimated and called in terms of the Notice hereinafter inserted. 14th October, 1909.

Present—

John Allison.	Rev. C. M'Kune.
James Anderson.	William Neilson.
James R. Auld.	Alexander Pillans.
J. P. Baird.	James Prentice.
William Barr.	James Scott.
David T. Black.	John Dick Scott.
Colonel Buchanan.	William Speirs.
Walter C. B. Christie.	Robert Sharp.
John F. Cochran.	William Sym.
Thomas G. Cowan.	William Templeton.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.	James Tonner.
William Davie.	James Logan.
James H. Fenton.	William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.	Alexander Fletcher.
Thomas Fulton.	Wm. M. Marshall.
Nathaniel Gold.	Hugh Reid.
Walter J. Grant.	John P. Campbell.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Kerr.
John Jackson.	Lawrence Maxton.
Colonel Logan.	John M'Feat.
Robert Lambie.	James Stewart.
A. D. Mack.	George Green.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.	Joseph Halley.

James Young.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, Convener of the County, took the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, in terms of Section 73 (2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, which was in the following terms :— *Notice calling meeting.*

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *4th October, 1909.*

Sir,

I am directed to intimate that the Statutory October Meeting of the County Council will be held in the County Hall, Hamilton, *on*

Thursday, 14th current, at Twelve o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of Consent to Capital Works and Borrowing by the Standing Joint-Committee, and of receiving and disposing of Minutes of the County Road Board and the Finance Committee and other Committees, of which copies will be sent to Members of the Council before the date of Meeting; of fixing the rate in the pound of the rateable property which is necessary to meet the deficiency in the County Fund in respect of each branch of expenditure subject to the control of the Council, or for which it is responsible in whole or in part; and of imposing the same on the lands and heritages in the County, or within the divisions or districts thereof, as the case may be, and as the law directs—all for the year ending 15th May, 1910.

There will also be submitted to the Meeting Reports by the County Road Board and the Finance Committee, prints of which will be sent to the Members of the Council before the date of Meeting.

Prints of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 13th May last, and of Special Meetings, held on 13th May and 1st ultimo, are sent herewith.

I subjoin a Notice of Motion which has been given to me.

The meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Notice of Motion by Mr. Alexander Hamilton, countersigned by Mr. William Neilson:—

"That all Minutes of the County Council and the Council's Committees be signed by the Chairman at the meeting at which they are passed."

Minutes of meeting.

There were laid before the meeting the minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 13th May last, and of the Special Meetings held on 13th May and 1st September, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

Clyde Navigation Trust.—Appointment of representative.

The meeting re-appointed Mr. William Speirs to be one of the Council's representatives on the Clyde Navigation Trust.

Report of consent of Standing Joint-Committee.

There was submitted a report of consent of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County, given in pursuance of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, in relation to capital works and to the borrowing of the sums necessary to meet the expense thereof (forming Appendix I. to this minute), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

Report of County Road Board.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a report of the County Road Board (forming Appendix II. to this minute), which had also been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

The Clerk submitted evidence of the advertisement and certificates of the posting of notices, as required by the Act, together with certificates by the Road Surveyors that the following roads recommended to be assumed as highways were in a condition to be taken over, viz.:—

IN THE DISTRICT OF THE UPPER WARD.

Parish of Lesmahagow—

The newly-constructed portion of road at Coalburn, being a diversion of the Shoulderrigg Highway, extending to 230 yards or thereby.

Parish of Wiston and Roberton—

Kirk Road, leading from Millrig Road to the Parish Church, extending to 109 yards or thereby.

IN THE DISTRICT OF THE MIDDLE WARD.

Second Division.

Parish of Blantyre—

Church Street, from Glasgow and Hamilton Highway southward for a distance of 130 yards or thereby.

Parish of Bothwell—

Burdon Street, Mossend, from Brigg Brae Mill Highway westwards for a distance of 36 yards or thereby;

Dean Street, Bellshill, from Davidson Street westwards for a distance of 57 yards or thereby;

Parish of Cambusnethan—

School Road, from Morningside and Chapel Highway to North and South Highway, for a distance of 1 furlong 110 yards or thereby.

Third Division.

Parish of New Monkland—

Lady Wilson Street, from South Biggar Highway westwards for a distance of 1 furlong 33 yards or thereby

On the motion of the Convener, the report of the County Road Board, so far as relating to the roads above mentioned, was unanimously adopted, and the meeting resolved that the said roads be added to the List of Highways made up in terms of Section 41 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878.

Road not in a condition to be assumed as a highway.

The meeting agreed that the following road referred to in the report of the County Road Board should meantime not be added to the list of highways for the reason that the Road Surveyor had reported that the road was not in a condition to be assumed as a highway, viz.:—

IN THE DISTRICT OF THE MIDDLE WARD.

Parish of Bothwell—

Watson Street, Uddingston, from Spindlehowe Highway eastwards for a distance of 104 yards or thereby, thence extending northwards 60 yards or thereby, and southwards 33 yards or thereby.

Roads to cease to be highways.

The meeting, on the motion of the Convener, also resolved, and hereby resolve, that the following road or part of road shall cease to be a highway within the meaning and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, viz.:—

IN THE DISTRICT OF THE UPPER WARD.

Parish of Lesmahagow—

That portion of Shoulderrigg Highway, at Coalburn, extending to 205 yards or thereby, for which it is proposed to substitute the newly constructed portion of road above referred to.

Road to be shut up.

The meeting further resolved, and hereby resolve, to declare that the road or part of road last above-mentioned shall, in terms of Section 43 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, be shut up, and instructed the Clerk to give the necessary public intimation of this resolution, and to take such further steps in the matter as he may consider necessary, with a view to having effect given to the resolution of the Council.

Report of Finance Committee and Estimates.

There was laid before the meeting a report of the Finance Committee, together with the estimates therein referred to (forming Appendix III. to this minute), which report and estimates had been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

Assessments.

The meeting, in accordance with the Report of the Finance Committee, assessed, and do hereby assess, in virtue of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, the Lanarkshire County Council Order Confirmation Act, 1907, and of the several other Acts hereinafter referred to and for the purposes thereof, the following rates and assessments upon the lands and heritages in the County, and in the several districts and divisions and parishes thereof, and in the respective Special Water Supply Districts, Special Drainage Districts, Special Lighting Districts, and Special Scavenging Districts, all hereinafter mentioned, and upon all lands and heritages within the limits of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Acts, 1892 to 1908, and also upon all lands and heritages liable to be assessed to the Sewage Purification Assessment under and in virtue of the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Order Confirmation Act, 1901, and the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Order Confirmation Act, 1903, the Lanarkshire Electricity and Refuse Destruction Order Confirmation Act, 1903, and the Cambuslang Electric Lighting Order, 1903, as confirmed by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1903, according to the yearly value of such lands and heritages as the same is established by the Valuation Roll for the year from 15th May, 1909, to 15th May, 1910, made up under the Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act, 17 and 18 Vict., cap. 91, and amending Acts, but subject always in the case of assessments leviable on occupiers of "agricultural lands and heritages" to the provisions of the Agricultural Rates, &c., (Scotland) Act, 1896, 59 and 60 Vict., cap. 37; the Agricultural Rates, 1896, &c., Continuance Act, 1901, 1 Edw. VII., cap. 13; and the Agricultural Rates, 1896, &c., Continuance Act, 1905, 5 Edw. VII.; that is to say—

Police Assessment.

I.—Under and for the purposes of the Act 20 and 21 Vict., cap. 72, intituled "An Act to render more effectual the POLICE in Counties and Burghs in Scotland." and other relative Acts, and that in the several districts into which the County has been from time to time divided in terms thereof, as follows:—

Hamilton District.

(1) In the HAMILTON POLICE DISTRICT of the Middle Ward, at the rate of twopence and one hundred and twelve one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

Motherwell District.

(2) In the MOTHERWELL POLICE DISTRICT of the Middle Ward, at the rate of threepence and forty-nine one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

Lanark District

(3) In the LANARK POLICE DISTRICT, including the Burgh of Lanark, at the rate of twopence and eighteen one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

Airdrie District.

(4) In the AIRDRIE POLICE DISTRICT, at the rate of threepence and forty-one one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

Lower Ward District

(5) In the LOWER WARD POLICE DISTRICT, at the rate of fourpence in the pound.

County General Assessment.

II.—Under and for the purposes of the County General Assessment (Scotland) Act, 1868, and the Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877, and any other relative Acts, and that in the several districts into which the County has been divided for the purposes of these Acts, as follows, viz.:—

(1) In that district of the County which formed part of the Northern Prison District under the Prisons (Scotland) Administration Acts (Lanarkshire) Amendment Act, 1868, at the rate of sixty-one one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

(2) In that district of the County which formed part of the Southern Prison District under the Act last-mentioned, at the rate of sixty-three one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

III.—Under and for the purposes of the COUNTY VOTERS REGISTRATION (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1861, at the rate of seventeen one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound on all lands and heritages in the County. *Voters Registration Act.*

IV.—Under and for the purposes of the DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, at the rate of eight one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound on all lands and heritages in the County, including the Police Burghs and the Burghs of Lanark and Coatbridge—one-half payable by the owners and the other half by the occupiers of such lands and heritages. *Diseases of Animals Acts.*

V.—Under and for the purposes of the Act 20 and 21 Vict., cap. 71 (LUNACY), and other relative Acts, and that in the districts after-mentioned, as follows:— *Lunacy Rate.*

(1) In the Lanark Lunacy District, that is in the whole County, with the exception of the Parish of Govan and that part of the Parish of Glasgow situated in the County, at the rate of one penny and seventy-three one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound. *Lanark District.*

(2) In the Govan Lunacy District, that is in the Parish of Govan, at the rate of twopence and twenty-seven one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound. *Govan District.*

(3) In the Glasgow Lunacy District, that is in that part of the Parish of Glasgow (formerly known as the Barony Parish) situated within the County of Lanark, at the rate of twopence and forty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound upon all lands and heritages within the said district—one-half thereof being payable by the owners and the other half by the occupiers of all such lands and heritages. *Glasgow District.*

And which several rates hereby imposed so far as the same were leviable by the Commissioners of Supply at the passing of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, in respect of any branch of expenditure, and payable by owners only without relief to the extent of one-half against the occupiers, shall be payable as follows, that is to say, the average rate as ascertained and determined in the manner in the said last-mentioned Act provided, and as the amount thereof in the case of the County and of the several districts and divisions thereof, and as regards the several rates, is recorded in the Sheriff Court Books of the County, of date the 15th day of August, 1890, and in the minutes of the Council, of date the 21st day of October, 1890, is and shall be paid by the owners of such lands and heritages only, and where the amount which is required, and which is hereby assessed, exceeds such average rate, the portion of the rate beyond and in excess of such average rate shall be payable by owners and occupiers equally.

VI.—A GENERAL PURPOSES RATE, under and by virtue of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, at the rate of sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound on all lands and heritages in the County, one-half thereof being payable by the owners and the other half by the occupiers of such lands and heritages, and an additional assessment under and by virtue of the Glasgow Court-houses Amendment Act, 1890, and Sections 19 and 22 of the Sheriff Court-houses Act, 1860, of sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound upon all lands and heritages in the District of the Lower Ward of the County, which rates were, in terms of the said Acts, declared payable one-half by the owner and the other half by the occupiers of such lands and heritages. *General Purposes.*

Cambuslang Electric Lighting.

VII.—Under and for the purposes of the Lanarkshire Electricity and Refuse Destruction Order Confirmation Act, 1903, and the Cambuslang Electric Lighting Order, 1903, as confirmed by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1903, within the Cambuslang Special Lighting District as originally formed, at the rate of threepence in the pound, one-half thereof being imposed upon the owners, and the other half upon the tenants and occupants, of all lands and heritages within the said special district, according to the annual value thereof.

Roads and Bridges.

VIII.—Under and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, as follows:—

Maintenance.

1. For the maintenance and management of Highways in the several districts into which the County is divided by the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, as follows:—

Upper Ward.

(*a*) In the District of the Upper Ward of the County, exclusive of the Police Burgh of Biggar, at the rate of tenpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, whereof fivepence and thirty one hundred and twentieths was imposed upon and payable by the owners, and fivepence and thirty one hundred and twentieths upon and payable by the occupants, of all lands and heritages within the district;

Middle Ward.

(*b*) In the District of the Middle Ward of the County, exclusive of the Police Burghs of Motherwell and Wishaw, at the rate of ninepence in the pound, whereof fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieths was imposed upon and payable by the owners, and fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieths thereof upon and payable by the occupants, of all lands and heritages within the district; and

Lower Ward.

(*c*) In the District of the Lower Ward of the County, exclusive of the Police Burghs of Govan and Partick, at the rate of sixpence and ninety one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, whereof threepence and forty-five one hundred and twentieths was imposed upon and payable by the owners, and threepence and forty-five one hundred and twentieths upon and payable by the occupants, of all lands and heritages within the district.

Public Health Acts.

IX.—Under and for the purposes of The Public Health (Scotland) Acts as follows:—

Upper Ward.

In the District of the Upper Ward of the County—

1. For purposes of Public Health at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, one-half thereof being imposed upon the owners, and the other half upon the tenants and occupants, of all lands and heritages within the said district, according to the annual value thereof.

Special Districts.

2. In the following Special Districts of the District of the Upper Ward of the County, and for the purposes thereof:—

(1) *Blackwood Special Water Supply District,* at the rate of one shilling and threepence in the pound;

(2) *Braidwood Special Water Supply District,* at the rate of one shilling and threepence in the pound;

(3) *Carluke Special Water Supply District,* at the rate of eightpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(4) *Carluke Special Drainage District,* at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(5) *Carnwath Special Water Supply District,* at the rate of ninepence in the pound;

(6) *Carnwath Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and a penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(7) *Crawford Special Water Supply District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(8) *Crosslaw Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(9) *Douglas Special Water Supply District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(10) *Douglas Special Drainage District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(11) *Kirkfieldbank Special Water Supply District*, at the rate of one shilling and threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound:

(12) *Law Special Water Supply District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(13) *Law Special Drainage District*, at the rate of sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(14) *Lesmahagow Special Water Supply District*, at the rate of elevenpence in the pound;

(15) *Lesmahagow Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(16) *Roberton Special Water Supply District*, at the rate of two shillings and twopence in the pound;

(17) *Thankerton Special Water Supply District*, at the rate of one shilling and twopence in the pound;

(18) *Thankerton Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

one-half of each of the above several rates being imposed upon the owners, and the other half upon the tenants and occupants, of all lands and heritages within the said respective special districts, rateably according to the annual value thereof.

In the District of the Middle Ward of the County, as follows:— *Middle Ward (Public Health).*

1. For the purposes of Public Health, at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, one-half thereof being imposed upon the owners, and the other half upon the tenants and occupants, of all lands and heritages within the said district, according to the annual value thereof.

2. For the purposes of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Acts, 1892 to 1908 (55 and 56 Vict., cap. 169; 59 and 60 Vict., cap. 68; 62 and 63 Vict., cap. 70; 2 Edw. VII., cap. 250; and 8 Edw. VII., cap. 119)— *Middle Ward Water.*

(*a*) Upon all lands and heritages within the limits of supply as defined by these Acts, at the rate of threepence in the pound (being the Public Water Rate), one-half thereof being imposed upon the owners, and the other half upon the tenants and occupants, of all such lands and heritages. *Public Water Rate.*

(*b*) Upon all lands and heritages within the limits of supply, as defined by these Acts, which shall have been supplied with water for domestic purposes, at the rate of elevenpence per pound (being the Domestic Water Rate), one-half thereof being imposed upon the owners, and the other half upon the tenants and occupants, of all such lands and heritages. *Domestic Water Rate.*

Special Drainage Districts.

3. In the following Special Drainage Districts of the Middle Ward District of the County, and for the purposes of these special districts, as follows:—

(1) *Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Drainage District,* at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(2) *Baillieston Special Drainage District,* at the rate of sixpence in the pound;

(3) *Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District,* at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(4) *Blantyre Special Drainage District,* at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(5) *Bothwell Special Drainage District,* at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(6) *Busby Special Drainage District,* at the rate of one shilling in the pound;

(7) *Cambuslang Special Drainage District,* at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(8) *Carfin and Cleekhimin Special Drainage District,* at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(9) *Chapelhall Special Drainage District,* at the rate of eightpence in the pound;

(10) *Cleland and Omoa Special Drainage District,* at the rate of one shilling and a penny in the pound;

(11) *Dalzell and Netherton Special Drainage District,* at the rate of eightpence in the pound;

(12) *East Kilbride Special Drainage District,* at the rate of one shilling and twopence in the pound;

(13) *Holytown Special Drainage District,* at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(14) *Larkhall Special Drainage District,* at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(15) *Mount Vernon Special Drainage District,* at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(16) *New Stevenston Special Drainage District,* at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(17) *Newton and Flemington Special Drainage District,* at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(18) *Stonehouse Special Drainage District,* at the rate of sixpence in the pound;

(19) *Strathaven Special Drainage District,* at the rate of one shilling in the pound;

(20) *Uddingston Special Drainage District,* at the rate of threepence in the pound;

one-half of each of the above several rates being imposed upon the owners, and the other half upon the tenants and occupants, of all lands and heritages within the said respective special districts, rateably according to the annual value of the lands and heritages therein.

Lower Ward District.

In the District of the Lower Ward of the County—

1. For purposes of Public Health, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, one-half thereof being

imposed upon the owners, and the other half upon the tenants and occupants, of all lands and heritages within the said district, rateably according to the annual value of the lands and heritages therein.

Special Water and Drainage Districts.

2. In the following Special Districts of the District of the Lower Ward of the County, and for the purposes of these special districts, as follows :—

(1) *North Cadder Special Water Supply District*, at the rate of one shilling and threepence in the pound;

(2) *South Cadder Special Water Supply District*, at the rate of one shilling and a penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(3) *South Lenzie Special Water Supply District*, at the rate of ninepence in the pound;

(4) *Barony Special Drainage District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound; and an additional assessment of one penny in the pound for the purposes of sewage purification to be levied in that portion of the Barony Special Drainage District outwith the Glasgow Sewage Purification area;

(5) *Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Special Drainage District*, at the rate of ninepence in the pound;

(6) *Carmunnock Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(7) *Rutherglen Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(8) *South Lenzie Special Drainage District*, at the rate of sevenpence in the pound;

(9) *Stepps Special Drainage District*, at the rate of eightpence in the pound;

one-half of the rate in the case of each of these districts being imposed upon the owners, and the other half upon the tenants and occupants, rateably according to the annual value of the lands and heritages within the same respectively.

Sewage Purification Assessment.—Lower Ward.

3. A Sewage Purification Assessment, at the rate of fourpence in the pound upon all lands and heritages within the area defined by the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Order Confirmation Act, 1901, as read along with the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Order Confirmation Act, 1903, so far as the same are now liable to be rated to the said assessment, which assessment shall be paid one-half by the owners and one-half by the occupiers of the lands and heritages upon which the same is imposed.

Special Lighting and Scavenging Districts.

X.—Under and for the purposes of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, as follows :—

Upper Ward.

In the following Special Districts in the District of the Upper Ward of the County, and for the purposes of such special districts :—

(1) *Carluke Special Lighting District*, at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(2) *Crosslaw Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(3) *Douglas Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(4) *Lesmahagow Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(5) *Carluke Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of one penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(6) *Douglas Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of sixpence in the pound.

Middle Ward.

In the following Special Districts in the District of the Middle Ward of the County, and for the purposes of such special districts:—

(1) *Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound.

(2) *Baillieston Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(3) *Bellshill and Mossend Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(4) *Blantyre Special Lighting District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(5) *Bothwell Special Lighting District*, at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(6) *Busby Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(7) *Calderbank Special Lighting District*, at the rate of one penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(8) *Cambuslang Special Lighting District*, at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(9) *Carmyle Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(10) *Dalzell and Netherton Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(11) *East Kilbride Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(12) *Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(13) *Larkhall Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(14) *Shotts and Dykehead Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(15) *Stonehouse Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(16) *Strathaven Special Lighting District*, at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(17) *Uddingston Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(18) *Bellshill and Mossend Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of four pence in the pound;

(19) *Blantyre Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

(20) *Bothwell Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(21) *Cambuslang Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(22) *Carfin and Cleckhimin Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of eightpence in the pound;

(23) *Carmyle and Mount Vernon Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(24) *Dalzell and Netherton Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(25) *Strathaven Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of one penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(26) *Uddingston Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

In the following Special Districts in the District of the Lower Ward of the County, and for the purposes of such special districts:— *Lower Ward.*

(1) *Bishopbriggs Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence and ninety one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(2) *Lambhill Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(3) *Linthouse Special Lighting District*, at the rate of one penny and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(4) *Millerston and Stepps Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(5) *Rutherglen Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(6) *Shettleston and Tollcross Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence and ninety one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(7) *South Lenzie Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(8) *Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fourpence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(9) *Chryston and Muirhead Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of threepence and ninety one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(10) *Rutherglen Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of twopence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(11) *Shettleston and Tollcross Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of sixpence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(12) *South Lenzie Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of threepence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(13) *Stepps Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

which several rates and assessments were and are hereby imposed, one-half upon the owners and the other half upon the tenants and occupants of all lands and heritages within the said respective special districts, according to the annual value thereof in terms of Section 44 (6) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894 (57 and 58 Vict., cap. 58), as an addition to and in excess of the Public Health Rate.

The meeting further resolved that the various rates above imposed shall be payable on or before the *31st December, 1909;* but it was remitted to the Finance Committee with power to postpone this date, and fix any other or others for all or any of the collection districts of the County, should they consider it expedient to do so. *Date for payment of Rates.*

It was agreed that appeals against the above rates should be lodged with the County Clerk before *29th December, 1909*, with power, however, to the Finance Committee to postpone this date and fix another, or others, as they may see fit. *Appeals against Rates.*

The meeting agreed that, as formerly, it should be an understanding and condition of the appointments of the Collectors of County Rates that all the rates assessed by the Council upon such railways, canals, and tramways, and gas and *Rates upon Railways, &c.*

water works, as are valued by the Assessor of Railways, should be levied and collected by the County Clerk, and this the County Clerk was and is hereby instructed and authorised to do.

Appointment of Collectors.

The meeting, having proceeded to consider the question of the appointment of Collectors of the Consolidated Rates in the several districts of the County, remitted to the Finance Committee to consider and determine the remuneration to be paid to the several Collectors, and appointed the following to be Collectors in the several districts, on condition that they agree to accept the appointment on such terms as regards remuneration as may be fixed by the Finance Committee, viz.:—

For the *Biggar District*—that is, the Parishes of Biggar, Carnwath, Crawford, Crawfordjohn, Culter, Dolphinton, Dunsyre, Lamington and Wandell, Liberton, Symington, Walston, and Wiston and Roberton—William B. Pairman, Biggar.

For the *Lanark District*—that is, the Parishes of Carluke, Carmichael, Carstairs, Covington, Douglas, Lanark, Lesmahagow, and Pettinain—A. W. Paterson, Lanark.

For the *Hamilton District*—that is, the Parishes of Cambusnethan, Dalserf, Dalziel, Blantyre, Bothwell, and Hamilton—W. D. Loudon, Writer, Hamilton.

For the *Strathaven District*—that is, the Parishes of Avondale, Glasford, and Stonehouse—Robert M'Cowan, Strathaven.

For the *Airdrie District*—that is, the Parishes of Old Monkland, New Monkland, and Shotts—James Archibald Russell, Writer, Airdrie.

For the *Lower Ward District*—that is, the Parishes of Cambuslang, East Kilbride, Cadder, Carmunnock, Govan, Glasgow, and Rutherglen—Thomas Tennent, 58 Renfield Street, Glasgow.

Regulations for Collectors.

On the motion of the convener, it was remitted to the Finance Committee to enforce the regulations for the collection of rates, and to make such amendments thereon, or such additional regulations as may be required for the due collection of the rates, and with power to supersede any collector failing in the performance of his duty, and to fill up any vacancies in the collectorship, and to make any additions to the collectors employed, and to regulate the districts; and it was further agreed that power be also given to the Finance Committee to inquire into the nature of the arrears outstanding, strike off such as they may think irrecoverable, enforce recovery of the remainder, and otherwise deal with the same as they may think advisable.

Rates.—Appeals Committees.

The meeting appointed the following committees for the hearing of appeals against rates, viz.:—

For the District of the Upper Ward.

John Allison.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel Gold.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Hope Vere.

For the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward.

John F. Cochran.
Alexander Fletcher.
A. G. Barns Graham.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Moore.
William Neilson.
Stuart Spence.
William Templeton.

For the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward.

Colonel Buchanan.	A. D. Mack.
Thomas G. Cowan.	Colonel King Stewart.
Richard Gibb.	John Watt.

For the District of the Lower Ward.

John Adam.	William Kerr.
James Anderson.	Lawrence Maxton.
Thomas Fulton.	John M'Feat.
Walter J. Grant.	A. B. Mackendrick.
Joseph Halley.	John Stewart.

Reports by District Committees.

There were laid before the meeting reports by the several District Committees for the year 1908-9, the reports in the cases of the Middle and Lower Wards being contained in the minutes of the District Committees.

Report by County Analyst under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts.

In terms of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, there was laid before the meeting a report by the County Analyst for the quarter ended 30th June last (forming Appendix IV. to this minute), a print of which had been sent to each member of the Council.

Report by District Agricultural Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906.

There was also laid before the meeting a report by the District Agricultural Analyst, under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, for the quarter ending 30th June last (forming Appendix V. to this minute), which had also been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

Minutes of committees.

The following minutes of committees and sub-committees, and of the County Road Board, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, were laid before the meeting, viz.:—

(1) Valuation Committees for Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards, of date 13th May, 1909.

Upper Ward, of date 13th September, 1909.

Middle Ward, of dates 14th and 16th September, 1909.

Lower Ward, of dates 17th and 30th September, 1909

(2) Public Health Committee, of dates 19th May and 2nd June, 1909.

(3) Inebriates Committee, of dates 20th May and 6th October, 1909.

(4) Weights and Measures Committee, of dates 26th May, 23rd June, and 22nd Sepember, 1909.

(5) Executive Committee, of dates 26th May, 23rd June, and 22nd September, 1909.

(6) Finance Committee, of dates 2nd June, 1st September, and 29th September, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* County's Claim against Burgh of Motherwell, of date 7th July, 1909.

(7) Joint Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of dates 2nd June and 18th August, 1909.

(8) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 23rd June, 14th July, 4th August, 8th September, and 6th October, 1909.

Sub-Committee on Shop Hours Act, of dates 13th May and 4th August, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Glasgow Corporation Bill, of date 4th June, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Fire Brigades, of dates 23rd June, 22nd and 29th September, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* House Letting and Rating Bill, &c., of dates 8th and 15th September, 1909.

(9) Joint-Sub-Committee *re* Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, of date 30th June, 1909.

(10) Joint Meeting of Parliamentary Bills Committee and Joint Sub-Committee *re* Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, of date 4th August, 1909.

(11) County Road Board, of date 1st September, 1909.

(12) Committee on Special Districts, of date 15th September, 1909.

(13) Special Committee *re* Hairmyres Reformatory, of date 6th October, 1909.

(14) Explosives Committee for Hamilton J.P. District, of date 30th April, 1909.

Resolutions as to borrowing.

As relative to the minutes of the Finance Committee above referred to, the Clerk laid before the meeting applications to the County Council for the borrowing of the following sums to defray the cost of capital works, viz:—

(*a*) £32 12s. 3d. for the taking over of a sewer in Dean Street and Davidson Street within the Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District;

(*b*) £1,800 for the construction of a public slaughter-house at Uddingston:

(*c*) £52 for the construction of a new sewer within the Stonehouse Special Drainage District;

(*d*) £45 for the purchase of additional lanterns for Bothwell Special Lighting District;

(*e*) £115 for the construction of an automatic storm-water diverter, and the laying of bye-pass pipe to Myres Burn within the Uddingston Special Drainage District;

(*f*) £85 for the construction of a culvert in Manse Garden within the Bothwell Special Drainage District;

(*g*) £200 for the widening and improving of Dyke Street, Baillieston, in the Parish of Old Monkland;

(*h*) £4,500 for the provision and erection of new Nurses' Home at the Middle Ward Hospital, near Motherwell;

(*i*) £490 for the construction of a new sewer to convey the sewage from Stonehouse Hospital to a sewer within the Stonehouse Special Drainage District;

(*j*) £12 for the erection of new lamps within the Carmyle Special Lighting District;

(*k*) £300 for the purchase of an additional spring, and the cost of connecting up same with the pipes in the Lesmahagow Special Water District;

(*l*) £50 for the completion of intake of additional springs to Crawford Special Water District;

(*m*) £1,800 for the construction of a public slaughter-house at Stonehouse;

(*n*) £350 for the construction of a new sewer in North Road, Bellshill, within the Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District;

(*o*) £54 for the purchase of new incandescent lanterns for Uddingston Special Lighting District;

(*p*) £54 3s. 10d. for the completion of sewage purification works at Burnbrae in connection with the East Kilbride Special Drainage District ;

(*q*) £135 for the widening and improvement of the north side of Glasgow and Hamilton Highway from Victoria Street to Station Road, Blantyre ;

(*r*) £907 15s. for the widening and improvement of Brigg Brae Mill Highway and others within the Middle Ward District ;

(*s*) £200 for the widening and improvement of Dyke Street, Baillieston ;

(*t*) £35 for alterations at sewage purification works of Stepps Special Drainage District ;

(*u*) £26 for the laying of water-pipe in Auchenairn Road within the North Cadder Special Water District ;

(*v*) £110 for the extension of main in Blenheim Avenue, Stepps, and the laying of pipe in road from East Muckcroft Farm steading to Stoneyetts within the South Cadder Special Water District ;

(*w*) £900, being excess capital expenditure in connection with the construction of sewage purification works for Bishopbriggs and Auchenairn Special Drainage District ;

(*x*) £325, being excess capital expenditure in connection with the construction of sewers and sewage purification works for Stepps Special Drainage District ;

(*y*) £350 for the provision and erection of lamps, &c., within the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District ;

(*z*) £1,000 for the construction of sewage purification works in connection with the Middle Ward Hospital.

Application relative to borrowing for the construction of sewage purification works in connection with Middle Ward Hospital.

Mr. Hugh Reid having called the attention of the meeting to the recommendation of the Finance Committee to borrow the sum of £1,000 for the construction of sewage purification works in connection with the Middle Ward Hospital, a discussion followed.

Motion by Mr. Lambie.

Mr. Robert Lambie moved that the recommendation of the Finance Committee be approved of, which was seconded by Mr. James Stewart.

Amendment by Mr. Pillans.

Mr. Alexander Pillans moved by way of amendment that the matter be remitted back to the Finance Committee for further consideration and report, which was seconded by Mr. David J. Black.

Motion carried.

On the motion and amendment having been put to the meeting, and a vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted in favour of the motion.

The meeting, having considered the above applications, resolved to borrow the sums above specified on the security of the rates chargeable therewith, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, so far as not already obtained, and it was remitted to the Finance Committee to obtain the amounts when required, and to fix the time or times within which they shall be repaid, and the meeting authorised the Convener and the Clerk to sign the minutes of consent attached to the several applications.

Appointment of Veterinary Inspector for County.—Agreed to confer with District Committee.

Under reference to the minutes of the Executive Committee, of date 22nd September, the meeting approved of the recommendation to appoint a Veterinary Inspector for the County, but agreed that, before such an appointment is made, the Executive Committee should confer with the District Committees on the subject.

Proposed establishment of a fire brigade.—Remit to Parliamentary Bills Committee.

With reference to the minutes of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, of date 6th October, relating to the proposed establishment of a fire brigade in the County, the question of the advisability of selecting Shettleston as a centre was discussed, and it was agreed to remit the matter to the Parliamentary Bills Committee for further consideration and report.

Glasgow water rates in outside districts.

The Clerk having stated, under reference to the minutes of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, of date 8th September, that he had been in further communication with the Town-Clerk of Renfrew on the subject of the water rates charged by the Corporation of Glasgow in outside districts, and that it might be advisable that the matter should be further considered, the meeting, on the motion of Mr. Stewart, agreed to remit the question to the Parliamentary Bills Committee, with powers.

Minutes approved.

The meeting thereafter, subject to the foregoing resolutions, unanimously approved of the minutes of the County Road Board and of the committees above mentioned.

Signing of minutes.
Motion by Mr. Hamilton.

In terms of the notice given by him, which appeared in the notice calling the meeting of the Council, Mr. Alexander Hamilton moved that all minutes of the County Council and the Council's Committees be signed by the Chairman at the meeting at which they are passed, which was seconded by Mr. Neilson

After discussion, Mr. Hamilton, with the consent of his seconder, and of the meeting withdrew his motion, and on the suggestion of the Clerk, the following

Resolution.

resolution was unanimously adopted, viz.:—"That minutes of meetings of the "Council, after being submitted and approved of by the Council at a subsequent "meeting, shall be signed by the Chairman of the latter meeting; and that minutes "of meetings of Committees may be signed by the Chairman of the meeting of "which the minutes are a record or by the Chairman of any subsequent meeting "of the same Committee to which they may be submitted for approval."

Increase of salary to Upper Ward District Clerk and Treasurer.

There having been submitted a communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, dated 21st September, intimating a resolution to increase his salary as District Clerk and Treasurer from £280 to £330 per annum as from 15th August last, the meeting approved.

Metal depot on side of Edinburgh Highway, near Salsburgh.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, dated 30th September, intimating that the District Committee had resolved that a small portion of ground used as a metal depot on the side of the Edinburgh Highway, near Salsburgh, in the Parish of Shotts, should be ceded to the adjoining proprietor. The meeting approved.

Extension of boundaries of Barony Special Drainage District.—Appeal against by A. J. C. Farie, of Farme.

There was submitted a communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward, dated 5th August, transmitting interlocutor by Sheriff Scott Moncrieff in the appeal at the instance of Mr. A. J. C. Farie, of Farme, against the resolution of the District Committee extending the boundaries of the Barony Special Drainage District by including, *inter alia*, the lands of Westthorn.

Deeds for signature.

There having been submitted the following documents for signature, the meeting authorised any two members of the Council and the Clerk to sign the same in the name and on behalf of the County Council, and instructed the Clerk to attach to them the common seal of the County, viz.:—

(1) Feu Contract between Sir John Wilson, Bart., and the County Council of site of Bellshill Destructor Works; and

(2) Minute of agreement between Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, of Lee and Carnwath, Bart., and the County Council and Upper Ward District Committee (Carnwath Purification Works).

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF THE STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK, IN PURSUANCE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889, IN RELATION TO CAPITAL WORKS, AND TO THE BORROWING OF THE SUMS NECESSARY TO MEET THE EXPENSE THEREOF.

Since the date of their Report of Consent made to the County Council at the meeting of the Council held on 14th October last, the Standing Joint-Committee have given their consent to the following capital works, and to the borrowing of the sums aftermentioned for the respective capital works referred to, so far as it may be found necessary to borrow the same, and that by way of loans, to be repaid within the periods prescribed by the several Statutes administered by the County Council, the loans and interest thereof in each case to be charged to the appropriate rates levied in the several districts aftermentioned, viz.:—

UPPER WARD.

(1) The extension of sewage disposal works in connection with the Carnwath Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £385;

(2) The purchase of a waste detecting meter for use in the Lesmahagow Special Water District, at an estimated cost of £50;

(3) The construction of fire plugs on the distributing mains in Braidwood Special Water District, at an estimated cost of £50;

(4) The extension and alteration of the distributing pipes in the Carluke Special Water District, at an estimated cost of £50;

(5) The erection of three additional lamps in Crosslaw Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £20.

MIDDLE WARD.

(1) The construction of sewage purification works in connection with the Middle Ward Hospital, at an estimated cost of £1,000;

(2) The provision and erection of lamps, &c., within the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £350;

(3) The construction of sewage purification works to serve a portion of Mount Vernon Special Drainage District—£1,500 being the proportion applicable to the Middle Ward District of the total estimated cost of £19,039.

The committee have also given their consent to the undertaking of the following capital works, viz. :—

Upper Ward.

(1) The widening of Broughton Road at Stanehead, Biggar, at an estimated cost of £20;

(2) The widening of Birthwood Road along the frontage of the new school at Coulter, at an estimated cost of £25.

Middle Ward.

(1) The widening and improvement of Fullwood Highway, Mossend, and others, at an estimated cost of £375;

(2) The widening of Omoa and Cleland Highway at Cleland, at an estimated cost of £45;

(3) The widening and improvement of Brackenhirst Highway, New Monkland, at an estimated cost of £28;

(4) The widening and improvement of Maxwellton Highway, between Maxwellton Village and East Kilbride, at an estimated cost of £31.

WM. SPEIRS,
WM. NEILSON,
Two Members of the Standing Joint-Committee

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

December, 1909

SALE OF FOOD AND

COUNTY OF

REPORT by the PUBLIC ANALYST upon the Articles analysed

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis.	
					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
259	July 8	County Council of Lanark	Shotts Cattle Show,	Whisky, ...	Genuine,	... ...
295	,, 23	Do.,	Dolphinton, ...	Flour, ...	Do.,	... ...
296	,, 23	Do..	Strathaven, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	...	Deficient in milk fat 10 per cent., ...
297	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
298	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do..	... ...
299	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
300	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Cream, ...	Do.,	... ...
301	,, 27	Do.,	Bishopbriggs,	Lard, ...	Do.,	... ...
302	,, 27	Do.,	Uddingston, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
303	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do..	... ...
304	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
305	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
306	Aug. 4	Do.,	Cambuslang,...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
307	,, 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
308	,, 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
309	,, 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
310	,, 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
311	,, 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
316	,, 26	Do.,	High Blantyre,	Do., ...	Do.,	.. . .
317	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
318	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
319	,, 26	Do.,	Low Blantyre,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
320	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
321	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
322	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
323	,, 27	Do.,	Bishopbriggs,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
324	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
325	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
326	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

DRUGS ACTS, 1875 to 1899.

LANARK.

by him during the Quarter ending 30th SEPTEMBER, 1909.

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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327	Aug. 27	County Council of Lanark.	Lambhill, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
328	„ 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
329	„ 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
330	„ 28	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... .
331	„ 28	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
332	„ 28	Do.,	Mossend, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
333	„ 28	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
334	„ 28	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
335	„ 28	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
336	Sept. 2	Do.	Shettleston, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
337	„ 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
338	„ 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
339	„ 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
340	„ 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
341	„ 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
342	„ 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
343	„ 4	Do.,	New Stevenston,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
344	„ 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
345	„ 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
346	„ 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	.. ..
347	„ 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
348	„ 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
349	„ 7	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
350	„ 7	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
351	„ 7	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
352	„ 7	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
353	„ 7	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
354	„ 7	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
355	„ 14	Do.,	Do., ...	Coffee, ...	Do.,	... ...
356	„ 14	Do.,	Do., ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
357	„ 14	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
358	„ 14	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
359	„ 17	Do.,	Brewsterford,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
360	„ 17	Do.,	Greengairs, ...	Cocoa.	Do.,	... ...

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs.		12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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362	Sept. 17	County Council of Lanark.	Uddingston, ...	Butter, ...	Genuine,	... ...
363	,, 17	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
364	,, 17	Do.,	Lamington, ...	Fresh Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
366	,, 17	Do.,	Cambusnethan,	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
367	,, 17	Do.,	Morningside,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
368	,, 17	Do.,	Newmains, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
369	,, 17	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
370	,, 17	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
378	,, 22	Do.,	Bothwell, ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
379	,, 22	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
380	,, 22	Do.,	East Kilbride,	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
381	,, 22	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
382	,, 22	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
383	,, 22	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
384	,, 22	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
385	,, 22	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
386	,, 25	Do.,	Tannochside,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
387	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
388	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in milk solids other than fat 4 per cent.,
389	,, 25	Do.,	Thorniewood,	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
390	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
391	,, 25	Do.,	Uddingston, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
396	,, 30	Do.,	Kirkfieldbank,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
397	,, 30	Do.,	Lanark Races,	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...

Total number of samples analysed at the instance of the Local Authority or their Officer during the Quarter, ... 87
Total number of same found to be adulterated, ... 2
Samples submitted by private individuals, in terms of Section 12 of the above Act, ... —

8th October, 1909.

ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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15th October, 1909.

THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

TEST SAMPLES SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS.

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Article submitted for Analysis.	4. Result of Analysis. Article genuine.	4. Result of Analysis. Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.	5. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	6. Observations of Analyst.
M	July 15	Material sold for improving flour	...	Contained flour, acid phosphate of lime, and tribasic phosphate of lime,	£1 1 0	Special examination.
Z	,, 15	Flour, ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	Contained 0·2 parts of nitrogen as nitrites per million parts of flour.
293	,, 23	Butter, ...	...	Contained 98 per cent. of fatty matter not derived from milk,	0 10 0	
294	,, 23	Do., ...	...	Contained 96 per cent. of fatty matter not derived from milk,	0 10 0	
312	Aug. 26	Brandy, ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
313	,, 26	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
314	,, 26	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
359	Sept. 14	Brandy, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
392	,, 28	Rice, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	Contained ·50 per cent. of extraneous mineral matter.
393	,, 28	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	Contained ·05 per cent. of extraneous mineral matter.
394	,, 28	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	Contained ·50 per cent. of extraneous mineral matter.
395	,, 28	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in milk fat 65 per cent.,	0 10 0	

8th October, 1909.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

COUNTY OF LANARK.

ABSTRACT OF VALUATION FOR THE YEAR 1909-1910, AND COMPARISON WITH THAT OF 1908-1909.

COUNTY OF

ABSTRACT OF VALUATION FOR THE YEAR 1909-1910,

Name of Parish.	1909-10.									1908-09.					
	General Heritages.			Railways, &c.			Total, 1909-1910.			General Heritages.			Railways, &c.		
UPPER WARD.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Biggar (Landward),	8,790	15	0	683	0	0	9,473	15	0	8,747	10	0	794	0	0
Do. (Police Burgh),	7,456	12	0	...			7,456	12	0	7,344	11	0	...		
Carluke,	54,352	13	0	4,015	0	0	58,367	13	0	55,269	19	0	4,594	0	0
Carmichael,	9,331	6	0	950	0	0	10,281	6	0	9,204	13	0	1,145	0	0
Carnwath,	34,405	0	0	6,187	0	0	40,592	0	0	33,643	0	0	7,482	0	0
Carstairs,	12,105	1	0	3,452	0	0	15,557	1	0	12,197	5	0	3,747	0	0
Covington,	5,314	5	0	1,109	0	0	6,423	5	0	5,315	3	0	1,347	0	0
Crawford,	19,443	15	0	3,340	0	0	22,783	15	0	20,360	11	0	4,017	0	0
Crawfordjohn,	9,565	19	0	...			9,565	19	0	9,585	7	0	...		
Culter,	12,286	3	0	252	0	0	12,538	3	0	12,709	16	0	305	0	0
Dolphinton,	2,434	9	0	253	0	0	2,687	9	0	2,446	13	0	310	0	0
Douglas,	18,915	3	0	3,766	0	0	22,681	3	0	19,132	16	0	4,555	0	0
Dunsyre,	2,939	13	0	1,116	0	0	4,055	13	0	2,939	13	0	1,360	0	0
Lamington,	10,409	2	0	1,266	0	0	11,675	2	0	10,604	2	0	1,554	0	0
Lanark,	19,060	9	0	2,318	0	0	21,378	9	0	19,193	5	0	2,907	0	0
Lesmahagow,	67,107	1	0	7,838	0	0	74,945	1	0	66,194	17	0	9,434	0	0
Liberton,	7,705	9	0	...			7,705	9	0	7,838	9	0	...		
Pettinain,	4,280	13	0	448	0	0	4,728	13	0	4,248	11	0	550	0	0
Symington,	4,592	8	0	1,414	0	0	6,006	8	0	4,575	0	0	1,684	0	0
Walston,	2,855	15	0	...			2,855	15	0	2,867	15	0	...		
Wiston and Roberton,	7,464	7	0	516	0	0	7,980	7	0	7,513	8	0	621	0	0
Total, Upper Ward,	320,815	18	0	38,923	0	0	359,738	18	0	321,932	4	0	46,406	0	0
MIDDLE WARD.															
Avondale,	55,332	14	0	4,109	0	0	59,441	14	0	54,345	2	0	4,821	0	0
Blantyre,	72,334	17	9	3,911	0	0	76,245	17	9	75,792	0	6	4,227	0	0
Bothwell,	282,821	14	0	17,492	0	0	300,313	14	0	285,465	11	0	19,811	0	0
Do. (Police Burgh of Motherwell),	1,399	14	0	86	0	0	1,485	14	0	2,029	12	0	105	0	0
Cambuslang,	132,819	7	9	7,925	0	0	140,744	7	9	131,720	15	8	8,460	0	0
Cambusnethan (Landward),	81,881	18	0	7,293	0	0	89,174	18	0	79,117	11	0	8,615	0	0
Do. (Police Burgh of Wishaw),	70,756	7	0	2,677	0	0	73,433	7	0	68,464	11	0	2,750	0	0
Dalserf,	70,562	11	0	4,470	0	0	75,032	11	0	72,170	19	0	4,916	0	0
Dalziel (Landward),	37,337	3	0	6,337	0	0	43,674	3	0	44,164	1	0	6,586	0	0
Do. (Police Burgh of Motherwell),	180,054	11	0	6,720	0	0	186,774	11	0	178,771	9	0	6,292	0	0
Do. (Police Burgh of Wishaw),	13,686	8	0	615	0	0	14,301	8	0	13,093	1	0	577	0	0
East Kilbride,	43,083	10	8	2,184	0	0	45,267	10	8	42,372	9	9	2,611	0	0
Glasford,	12,824	0	0	200	0	0	13,024	0	0	12,476	14	0	240	0	0
Hamilton,	120,440	14	0	7,804	0	0	128,244	14	0	131,516	15	0	8,340	0	0
New Monkland,	56,167	14	9	13,967	0	0	70,134	14	9	56,278	0	7	16,499	0	0
Old Monkland,	90,109	10	3	18,787	0	0	108,896	10	3	91,359	15	11	21,126	0	0
Shotts,	83,240	7	4	11,058	0	0	94,298	7	4	87,839	4	1	13,347	0	0
Stonehouse,	16,078	9	0	2,216	0	0	18,294	9	0	15,882	12	0	2,659	0	0
Total, Middle Ward,	1,420,931	11	6	117,851	0	0	1,538,782	11	6	1,442,860	4	6	131,982	0	0
LOWER WARD.															
Glasgow (late Barony),	131,451	11	10	22,866	0	0	154,317	11	10	125,826	10	0	24,328	0	0
Cadder,	77,713	0	3	9,743	0	0	87,456	0	3	76,064	8	6	10,922	0	0
Carmunnock,	9,613	8	1	106	0	0	9,719	8	1	8,650	4	1	119	0	0
Govan (Landward),	19,804	6	8	6,164	0	0	25,968	6	8	19,303	1	4	6,640	0	0
Do. (Police Burgh of Partick),	379,885	19	6	30,842	0	0	410,727	19	6	373,865	3	6	31,380	0	0
Do. (Police Burgh of Govan),	467,903	13	6	22,678	0	0	490,581	13	6	448,178	2	6	23,458	0	0
Rutherglen,	34,066	12	8	5,642	0	0	39,708	12	8	33,046	15	3	5,749	0	0
Total, Lower Ward,	1,120,438	12	6	98,041	0	0	1,218,479	12	6	1,084,934	5	2	102,596	0	0
Total, Whole County,	2,862,186	2	0	254,815	0	0	3,117,001	2	0	2,849,726	13	8	280,984	0	0

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AND COMPARISON WITH THAT OF 1908-1909.

Total, 1908-1909.	Increase.		Decrease.		Net Increase.	Net Decrease.
	General Heritages.	Railways, &c.	General Heritages.	Railways, &c.		
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
9,541 10 0	43 5 0	...	...	111 0 0	...	67 15 0
7,344 11 0	112 1 0	...	...	...	112 1 0	...
59,863 19 0	...	...	917 6 0	579 0 0	...	1,496 6 0
10,349 13 0	126 13 0	...	...	195 0 0	...	68 7 0
41,125 0 0	762 0 0	...	...	1,295 0 0	...	533 0 0
15,944 5 0	...	...	92 4 0	295 0 0	...	387 4 0
6,662 3 0	...	...	0 18 0	238 0 0	...	238 18 0
24,377 11 0	...	...	916 16 0	677 0 0	...	1,593 16 0
9,585 7 0	...	...	19 8 0	...	...	19 8 0
13,014 16 0	...	...	423 13 0	53 0 0	...	476 13 0
2,756 13 0	...	...	12 4 0	57 0 0	...	69 4 0
23,687 16 0	...	...	217 13 0	789 0 0	...	1,006 13 0
4,299 13 0	...	...	...	244 0 0	...	244 0 0
12,158 2 0	...	...	195 0 0	288 0 0	...	483 0 0
22,100 5 0	...	...	132 16 0	589 0 0	...	721 16 0
75,628 17 0	912 4 0	...	...	1,596 0 0	...	683 16 0
7,838 9 0	...	...	133 0 0	...	...	133 0 0
4,798 11 0	32 2 0	...	...	102 0 0	...	69 18 0
6,259 0 0	17 8 0	...	...	270 0 0	...	252 12 0
2,867 15 0	...	...	12 0 0	...	...	12 0 0
8,134 8 0	...	...	49 1 0	105 0 0	...	154 1 0
368,338 4 0	2,005 13 0	...	3,121 19 0	7,483 0 0	112 1 0	8,711 7 0
59,166 2 0	987 12 0	...	...	712 0 0	275 12 0	...
80,019 0 6	...	...	3,457 2 9	316 0 0	...	3,773 2 9
305,276 11 0	...	...	2,643 17 0	2,319 0 0	...	4,962 17 0
2,134 12 0	...	...	629 18 0	19 0 0	...	648 18 0
140,180 15 8	1,098 12 1	...	...	535 0 0	563 12 1	...
87,732 11 0	2,764 7 0	...	...	1,322 0 0	1,442 7 0	...
71,214 11 0	2,291 16 0	...	...	73 0 0	2,218 16 0	...
77,086 19 0	...	...	1,608 8 0	446 0 0	...	2,054 8 0
50,750 1 0	...	...	6,826 18 0	249 0 0	...	7,075 18 0
185,063 9 0	1,283 2 0	428 0 0	...	...	1,711 2 0	...
13,670 1 0	593 7 0	38 0 0	...	...	631 7 0	...
44,983 9 9	711 0 11	...	...	427 0 0	284 0 11	...
12,716 14 0	347 6 0	...	...	40 0 0	307 6 0	...
139,856 15 0	...	...	11,076 1 0	536 0 0	...	11,612 1 0
72,777 0 7	...	...	110 5 10	2,532 0 0	...	2,642 5 10
112,485 15 11	...	...	1,250 5 8	2,339 0 0	...	3,589 5 8
101,186 4 1	...	...	4,598 16 9	2,289 0 0	...	6,887 16 9
18,541 12 0	195 17 0	...	...	443 0 0	...	247 3 0
1,574,842 4 6	10,273 0 0	466 0 0	32,201 13 0	14,597 0 0	7,434 3 0	43,493 16 0
150,154 10 0	5,625 1 10	...	...	1,462 0 0	4,163 1 10	...
86,986 8 6	1,648 11 9	...	...	1,179 0 0	469 11 9	...
8,769 4 1	963 4 0	...	...	13 0 0	950 4 0	...
25,943 1 4	501 5 4	...	...	476 0 0	25 5 4	...
405,245 3 6	6,020 16 0	...	...	538 0 0	5,482 16 0	...
471,636 2 6	19,725 11 0	...	...	780 0 0	18,945 11 0	...
38,795 15 3	1,019 17 5	...	...	107 0 0	912 17 5	...
1,187,530 5 2	35,504 7 4	...	...	4,555 0 0	30,949 7 4	...
3,130,710 13 8	47,783 0 4	466 0 0	35,323 12 0	26,635 0 0	38,495 11 4	52,205 3 0

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Name of District.	1909-10. General Heritages. £	s.	d.	1909-10. Railways, &c. £	s.	d.	1909-10. Total, 1909-1910. £	s.	d	1908-09. General Heritages. £	s.	d.	1908-09. Railways, &c. £	s.	d.
UPPER WARD.															
Landward,	313,359	6	0	38,923	0	0	352,282	6	0	314,587	13	0	46,406	0	0
Police Burgh of Biggar,	7,456	12	0	...			7,456	12	0	7,344	11	0	...		
Total, Upper Ward,	320,815	18	0	38,923	0	0	359,738	18	0	321,932	4	0	46,406	0	0
MIDDLE WARD.															
Landward,	1,155,034	11	6	107,753	0	0	1,262,787	11	6	1,180,501	11	6	122,258	0	0
Police Burghs of Motherwell & Wishaw,	265,897	0	0	10,098	0	0	275,995	0	0	262,358	13	0	9,724	0	0
Total, Middle Ward,	1,420,931	11	6	117,851	0	0	1,538,782	11	6	1,442,860	4	6	131,982	0	0
LOWER WARD.															
Landward,	272,648	19	6	44,521	0	0	317,169	19	6	262,890	19	2	47,758	0	0
Police Burghs of Govan and Partick,	847,789	13	0	53,520	0	0	901,309	13	0	822,043	6	0	54,838	0	0
Total, Lower Ward,	1,120,438	12	6	98,041	0	0	1,218,479	12	6	1,084,934	5	2	102.596	0	0
GRAND TOTAL.															
Landward,	1,741,042	17	0	191,197	0	0	1,932,239	17	0	1,757,980	3	8	216,422	0	0
Police Burghs,	1,121,143	5	0	63,618	0	0	1,184,761	5	0	1,091,746	10	0	64,562	0	0
Whole County,	2,862,186	2	0	254,815	0	0	3,117,001	2	0	2,849,726	13	8	280,984	0	0

Decrease,	...	...	£42,162 6 8
Increase,	...	...	28,452 15 0
Net Decrease,		...	£13,709 11 8

MARY.

Total, 1908-1909.	Increase.		Decrease.		Net Increase.	Net Decrease.
	General Heritages.	Railways, &c.	General Heritages.	Railways, &c.		
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
360,993 13 0	...	...	1,228 7 0	7,483 0 0	...	8,711 7 0
7,344 11 0	112 1 0	...	...	...	112 1 0	...
368,338 4 0	112 1 0	...	1,228 7 0	7,483 0 0	112 1 0	8,711 7 0
1,302,759 11 6	...	...	25,467 0 0	14,505 0 0	...	39,972 0 0
272,082 13 0	3,538 7 0	374 0 0	...	...	3,912 7 0	...
1,574,842 4 6	3,538 7 0	374 0 0	25.467 0 0	14,505 0 0	3,912 7 0	39,972 0 0
310,648 19 2	9,758 0 4	...	...	3,237 0 0	6,521 0 4	...
876,881 6 0	25,746 7 0	...	...	1,318 0 0	24,428 7 0	...
1,187,530 5 2	35,504 7 4	...	...	4,555 0 0	30,949 7 4	...
1,974,402 3 8	...	...	16,937 6 8	25,225 0 0	...	42,162 6 8
1,156,308 10 0	29,396 15 0	...	...	944 0 0	28,452 15 0	...
3,130,710 13 8	29,396 15 0	...	16,937 6 8	26,169 0 0	28,452 15 0	42,162 6 8

THOMAS MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

TUESDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 1909.

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON HAMILTON COURT-HOUSES AND COUNTY BUILDINGS.

At HAMILTON, and within the County Offices, there, upon Thursday, 14th October, 1909, being a meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark on the Sheriff Court-Houses and County Buildings at Hamilton. — 14th October, 1909.

Present—

William Barr.
George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
W. M. Marshall.
James Scott.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

Attending—

Duncan M'Intyre, Keeper of the Buildings.

Mr. William Templeton, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 19th February last, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid upon the table and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk having submitted further letters which he had received from the Town-Clerk of Hamilton as to the necessity for providing additional lavatory accommodation for persons attending the Courts at Hamilton, the meeting, while adhering to their opinion that there was at present sufficient lavatory accommodation for all persons, male and female, who require to attend the Courts, appointed the following sub committee to confer with representatives of the Town Council in regard to the matter, viz. :— — *Additional lavatory accommodation for persons attending the Courts at Hamilton.*

George Fraser,
Robert Lambie,
W. M. Marshall,
William Templeton.

The Clerk was instructed to obtain estimates for the renewal or repair of the snowboards on the roof of the buildings, and the meeting remitted to the Chairman, with power, to accept an offer. — *Snowboards on roof of buildings.*

The keeper of the buildings was authorised to purchase a square of linoleum for the witness-room, adjoining the Court-room. — *Linoleum for witness-room.*

The question of the necessity for repainting and cleaning the lobby and staircase of the County Buildings having been considered, the matter was remitted to the Clerk, with powers. — *Repainting &c., lobby and staircase of County Buildings.*

Blinds.

The Clerk was instructed to obtain estimates for the renewal of the blinds for the Court-houses and County Buildings, including the Public Health Department, and to submit the same to a future meeting of the committee.

Additional accomodation for County Clerk's staff.

The Clerk having reminded the committee that at a meeting on 23rd June, 1908, it was agreed to delay meantime making any alterations of the two rooms appropriated for the use of the J.P. Clerk, he stated that, owing to the increase of work in his office, the necessity for more accommodation had become clamant. Members of the committee, having thereafter inspected the two rooms, agreed upon certain alterations, with a view to increasing the accommodation, and authorised the Clerk to obtain estimates for the work, and to submit the same to a future meeting of the committee.

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* CAMBUSLANG ELECTRICITY AND REFUSE DESTRUCTION WORKS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 20th October, 1909, being a meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council and of the District Committee in connection with the Refuse Destruction and Electric Lighting Works at Cambuslang. — 20th October, 1909.

Present—

David J. Black. | William Love.
Robert Lambie. | William Neilson.
James Tonner.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
W. L. Douglass, District Engineer.
A. J. Abraham, Resident Engineer.

Mr. Tonner was appointed chairman of the meeting. — *Chairman of meeting.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 18th August, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk having reported the proceedings of the sub-committee appointed with reference to the fences at their meetings held on 26th August and 20th October, all as set forth in the minutes of the sub-committee appended hereto, the same was approved of. — *Sub-Committee re Fences.—Report by Clerk.*

The meeting, at the same time, agreed that so far as possible the entrance gate should be kept shut, and that a side entrance for persons who had business at the works should be provided. — *Entrance gate to be kept shut—side gate to be provided.*

4 *20th October, 1909.*

Letter from Resident Engineer.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following letter, which he had received from the Resident Engineer, viz. :—

"Electricity and Destructor Works,
"Bothwell Street,
"Cambuslang, N.B., 18th October, 1909.

"Dear Sir,

"I herewith enclose "Works Record" since my last report. I regret to state that on Sunday, the 26th September, there was a total failure of the electricity supply for fifteen minutes, from 6.50 to 7.5 p.m. The failure was caused by the burning out of a cable in the engine room, owing to dampness within the pipe where the cable was laid. This burnt-out cable tested fairly well on Wednesday, 1st September, so that the dampness was not suspected. No complaints were received on account of this failure.

"Both of our steam engines are now fully loaded, and I would ask permission to report on cost of a small steam exhaust turbine, which would run on the steam presently being exhausted (and wasted) by the present steam engines.

"Yours faithfully,

"A. J. ABRAHAM,
"*Resident Engineer.*

"The County Clerk,
"Hamilton."

Works Record.

A copy of the Works Record forms Appendix II. to this minute.

Small steam exhaust turbine engine.

The Resident Engineer was instructed to report to a future meeting as to the cost of a small steam exhaust turbine engine.

Fault in cables at Halfway.

In addition to the fault referred to in the above letter, the Clerk stated that on 21st August last the cables at Halfway had parted, on account of the road subsiding, and that the consumers in that district had been without light for one night.

Advertising.

The Resident Engineer having submitted specimens of advertising, the matter was left in the hands of the Clerk.

Reports on boilers 1 and 2.

There were laid before the meeting reports by the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Limited, dated 8th current, of inspections of the Lancashire boilers Nos. 1 and 2, stating that so far as could be seen externally the boilers and engines were found in order.

APPENDIX I.

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK

CAMBUSLANG ELECTRICITY AND REFUSE DESTRUCTION WORKS. SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* FENCES.

At CAMBUSLANG ELECTRICITY AND REFUSE DESTRUCTION WORKS, on Thursday, 26th August, 1909, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee appointed by the Joint-Committee to consider and report in regard to the Fences. — 26th August, 1909.

Present—

DAVID J. BLACK. | Col. A. L. H. BUCHANAN.
JAMES TONNER.

Attending—

GEORGE E. MARR, as representing the District Engineer.

Remit.

The Clerk submitted the remit to the sub-committee as contained in the minutes of the joint sub-committee, of date 18th current, together with the report of the District Engineer therein referred to, containing suggestions for the repair of the fences.

Inspection of fencing.—Modified scheme of repairs.

The members of the sub-committee having inspected the existing fences and considered the report of the District Engineer, suggested certain modifications of the proposals contained in the report, and instructed the District Engineer to prepare and submit to a future meeting a revised estimate of the cost.

Instruction to Clerk to communicate with owners of adjoining property.

The members of the sub-committee having observed that access could be gained to the County Council's property (1) through the wooden fence between the south gable of the southern of the two brick tenements which adjoin the County Council's property to the east and the sleeper fence which bounds the property of the County Council, and (2) over the barricade which separates the two brick tenements referred to, instructed the Clerk to communicate with the owner of the two tenements in question with a view to the means of access at the two places named being effectively stopped up.

20th October, 1909. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 20th October, 1909, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee appointed by the Joint Sub-Committee to consider and report in regard to the Fences.

Present—

D. J. Black. | William Love.
James Tonner.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
W. L. Douglass, District Engineer.
A. J. Abraham, Resident Engineer.

Chairman. Mr. James Tonner, was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 26th August last, having been submitted and read, were approved of.

Man drowned in quarry. The Clerk reported that on 6th current the body of a man had been taken out of the quarry, into which he was presumed to have fallen during darkness.

Repair of fencing.—Report by District Engineer, with revised estimate of cost. There were submitted to the meeting a report, with relative map, prepared by the District Engineer, giving a revised estimate of the repairs of the existing fencing, and the erection of the new fencing which the sub-committee at their last meeting had considered advisable should be done, and he stated that he had sent a copy of the report to each member of the sub-committee.

Report approved.—Recommendation to committee. The meeting, after discussion, agreed to recommend the joint-committee that the suggestions contained in the report be carried out, and that estimates be obtained for the work, and submitted to a future meeting of the committee.

Correspondence with factors for property adjoining works. Under reference to the minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, the Clerk stated that he had been in communication with Messrs. Sharp & Fairlie, Glasgow, factors for the tenements adjoining the County Council's property, and he submitted and read a letter which he had received from them, which was as follows:—

"172 Buchanan Street,
"Glasgow, 18th October, 1909.

"Dear Sir,

"CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING AND REFUSE DESTRUCTION WORKS.

"Referring to yours of 14th inst., and Mr. Murray's call on us, when he showed us a plan of the ground attached to the above work, we find on examining the property that the ground at the eastmost point, in rear of the extreme back tenements, does not on either side of the fence belong to our client, and the opening in the centre of the extreme back tenement is sufficiently barricaded. As we are anxious also, with your Council, to help in preventing accidents, we will be glad to hear if this contention agrees with your Council's views on the matter.

"Yours faithfully,

"SHARP & FAIRLIE,
"J. M'A.

"Thomas Munro, Esq.,
"County Clerk,
"County Buildings,
"Hamilton."

The meeting instructed the Clerk to ascertain to whom the right of property in the strip of ground in the rear of the tenements referred to belonged, and to endeavour to get the proprietor to carry out the necessary repair of the wooden fence between the south gable of the southernmost of the two brick tenements and the sleeper fence which bounds the County Council's property. *Instruction to Clerk.*

With reference to the barricade between the two tenements referred to, the meeting agreed that, in the event of the proprietor of these tenements being unwilling to make it more secure, the committee should themselves, but with his consent, do what may be necessary to prevent its being used as a means of access to the Council's property.

APPENDIX II.

WORKS RECORD.

Week ending 1909.	Units generated, Refuse.	Units generated, Coal, &c.	Units used Street Lighting.	Units used in Station.	Water used. Gallons.	Coal used.	Refuse destroyed.	Units bought from Clyde Valley.	Total Units generated.	Total Units generated corresponding Week last year (1908).
						Tons. Cwts. Qrs	Tons. Cwts. Qrs.			
Aug. 14,	1,302	None.	786	37	18,990	None.	92 12 2	None.	1,302	1,181
„ 21,	1,555	None.	841	36	18,520	None.	74 4 0	None.	1,555	1,253
„ 28,	1,694	None.	933	43	20,460	None.	82 11 0	None.	1,694	1,424
Sept. 4,	1,875	None.	985	48	22,030	None.	72 16 2	None.	1,875	1,582
„ 11,	1,902	270	1,099	59	21,960	2 12 2	86 3 2	None.	2,172	1,658
„ 18,	2,264	None.	1,168	70	27,350	None.	80 3 2	None.	2,264	1,821
„ 25,	2,458	None.	1,259	70	28,630	None.	85 13 2	None.	2,458	2,064
Oct. 2,	2,711	None.	1,356	74	30,820	None.	84 11 0	None.	2,711	2,077
„ 9,	2,487	294	1,381	67	30,230	2 5 2	104 6 3	None.	2,781	2,389
„ 16,	2,907	61	1,445	76	32,180	0 7 0	87 1 1	None.	2,968	2,515

A. J. ABRAHAM.

10th November, 1909. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 10th November, 1909, being a Meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council and of the District Committee in connection with the Refuse Destruction and Electric Lighting Works at Cambuslang.

Present—

DAVID J. BLACK. | WILLIAM LOVE.
ROBERT LAMBIE. | WILLIAM NEILSON.
JAMES TONNER.

Attending—

W. L. DOUGLASS, District Engineer.
A. J. ABRAHAM, Electrical Engineer.

Chairman. Mr. Tonner was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been been taken, the clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the joint sub-committee, of date 20th October, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

New fencing, &c., offers. There having been submitted offers which had been received by the District Engineer for (1) the erection of new walling and (2) the repairs of existing and the erection of new fencing, the meeting, having considered the same, authorised the acceptance of the following offers, viz. :—

(1) Walling, &c.—Messrs. Robert Sproull & Sons, ... £26 10 0
(2) Repairs of existing and erection of new fencing—
Messrs. A. & J. Main & Company, ... 80 2 0

Letter from Resident Engineer. The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following letter which he had received from the Resident Engineer, viz. :—

Electricity and Destructor Works,
Bothwell Street,
Cambuslang, N.B., 2nd November, 1909.

The COUNTY CLERK,
Hamilton.

DEAR SIR,

In some parts of the district our pressure is too high on heavy load, for instance in Prospect Avenue district it is 267 volts instead of 250. In other parts our pressure is too low on heavy load, as for instance the Hamilton Drive and Bushyhill Road district it is often 230 instead of 250 volts.

To put matters right it will be necessary at once to extend the present Prospect Avenue feeder to the school in Brownside Road a distance of 567 yards at an estimated cost of £396 18s., and to join Brownside Road cable to Stewarton Drive a distance of 350 yards. This latter extension has, however, already been sanctioned as it is part of the scheme for supplying the new roads just completed above Stewarton Drive. This will relieve the Hamilton Road and Bushyhill Road district of the Stewarton Drive houses. In the summer, so as to be prepared for the next winter, I submit that it will be necessary to lay a new feeder cable from the works *via* Pretoria Street, Buchanan Drive, Central Avenue, across Wellshot, through a garden, across West Coats Road up Hamilton Drive, a distance of 1,600 yards, at an estimated cost of £1,120 (one thousand one hundred and twenty pounds.)

I have gone carefully into the matter and consider the above methods to be the cheapest way of dealing with this supply. If, however, my committee feel doubtful about spending such a sum, I would ask that a consulting engineer (such as Mr. Lackie of Glasgow Corporation Electricity Department) be called in to report concerning our cable network.

I am, SIR,

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) A. J. ABRAHAM.

Extension of Prospect Avenue feeder.—Question of wayleave.

With reference to the proposal to extend the present Prospect Avenue feeder to the school in Brownside Road, Mr. Black suggested that a considerable saving might be effected if a wayleave could be arranged for with the proprietors of the property situated between these two points, and the meeting, while agreeing that the work should be carried out, remitted to the Clerk and the Engineer to endeavour to procure such a wayleave.

Proposed new feeder cable along Pretoria Street, &c.

The meeting continued for further consideration the proposal to lay a new feeder cable from the works *via* Pretoria Street, Buchanan Drive, &c., and meantime instructed the Engineer to obtain and submit to a future meeting information as to the probable number of consumers on the line of the roads named in his letter.

Extension in Greenlees Road.

The meeting authorised an extension of the cable to permit of a supply of current being afforded to a double villa being erected in Greenlees Road by Mr. John Barr, Dunshee, Cambuslang, and also to other properties expected to be erected on the line of the cable, the cost of the extension being estimated at £100.

Holland case.—Statement of expenses.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a statement of the expenses incurred in connection with the Holland case, amounting to £355 19s. 1d., payment of which the committee authorised.

It was remitted to the Clerk to arrange with the District Clerk as to the apportionment of this sum between the District Committee and the County Council.

Extension of district.—Notice of application to Board of Trade.

The Clerk stated that he had given the necessary statutory notice of the intention of the County Council to make application to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order under the Electric Lighting Acts in respect of an extension of the area of supply of the Cambuslang Electric Lighting Order, 1903, so as to embrace within the area of supply the whole of the Special Lighting District of Cambuslang as now existing, and the meeting approved.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 27th October, 1909, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 27th October, 1909.

Present—

Thos. G. Cowan.	Col. Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Davie.	William Neilson.
Alexander Fletcher.	James Prentice.
Thomas Fulton.	Hugh Reid.
Joseph Halley.	William Sym.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Templeton.
Robert Lambie.	James Tonner.

Attending—

Edmund Donald, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 22nd September, which had been submitted to, and approved of by, the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting the reports of the Inspectors for the month of September, a summary of which (Appendix) had been sent to each member of the committee. — *Inspectors' reports.*

There was also submitted a note of the salaries and expenses of the inspectors and of the wages of the inspectors' assistants for the month ending 15th proximo, payment of which was authorised by the committee, subject to being passed by the Finance Committee, as follows, viz. :— — *Inspectors' salaries, &c.*

Inspectors' Salaries.

Chief Inspector, ...	£17 10 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	12 10 0	
Inspector Mitchell, ...	12 10 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	10 0 0	
		£52 10 0

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages.

Chief Inspector, ...	£6 8 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6 0 0	
Inspector Mitchell, ...	5 4 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	5 4 0	
		22 16 0
		£75 6 0

Expenses of Inspectors, &c.

The meeting also passed for payment the following sums in respect of inspectors expenses, viz. :—

INSPECTORS' EXPENSES.

Chief Inspector, ...	£4 0 5
Inspector Chrystal, ...	3 13 7
Inspector Mitchell, ...	3 5 10
Inspector Paterson, ...	5 7 4
	£16 7 2

ACCOUNTS.

James Donaldson—carting standard weights, ...		£3 7 0
Rent of offices for half-year—		
Partick, ...	9 0 0	
Motherwell, ...	7 10 0	
Wishaw, ...	11 0 0	
Airdrie, ...	7 0 0	
		34 10 0
		£37 17 0

Supply of standards and weights.

The Chief Inspector submitted an offer which he had received from Messrs. Avery, Glasgow, to supply the standards and weights referred to in the minutes of last meeting, for the sum of £37 7s. 9d. The Chief Inspector having explained that, while the standards supplied by Messrs. De Grave, Short, & Company, London, were made of gun-metal, those of Messrs. Avery were of aluminium, the meeting agreed that offers be obtained from the two firms referred to for standards made of the same material.

Application for increase of salary by Mr. Joseph Paterson.

There was submitted to the meeting an application by Mr. Joseph Paterson, Inspector of Weights and Measures for District No. 4, for an increase of salary.

Mr. Hamilton moved that the salary of Mr. Paterson be increased by £5, which was seconded by Mr. Tonner.

Mr. Neilson moved, by way of amendment, that an increase of £10 be given, which was seconded by Mr. Cowan.

Mr. Halley also moved, by way of amendment, that consideration of the question be delayed, which was seconded by Mr. Templeton.

On Mr. Halley's amendment being put to the meeting, a majority voted against it.

Mr. Hamilton's motion and Mr. Neilson's amendment having thereafter been put to the meeting, a majority voted in favour of Mr. Hamilton's motion, which was accordingly declared carried.

Office accommodation at Airdrie.

The Chief Inspector having reported that the accommodation of the Weights and Measures Office at Airdrie was inadequate, the meeting authorised the Clerk and the Chief Inspector to endeavour to secure more suitable premises, and to rent the same, provided the rent did not exceed £25 per annum

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1909.

VERIFICATION WORK.

DISTRICT.	Number of Weights, &c., Submitted.	CORRECT.			STAMPED.			ADJUSTED.		REJECTED.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1, ...	1,390	194	—	4	1,086	—	92	1,073	—	6	—	8
„ 2, ...	1,640	150	98	21	1,275	17	43	1,257	15	18	7	11
„ 3, ...	1,093	58	27	18	900	40	34	898	7	6	2	8
„ 4, ...	1,057	133	9	19	833	16	32	832	10	14	—	1

OUTDOOR INSPECTIONS.

DISTRICT.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., Examined.	CORRECT.			REQUIRED ADJUSTING.			UNSTAMPED.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 3, ...	29	488	215	233	35	2	—	2	—	1	—
No. 4, ...	*17	46	28	1	16	—	1	—	—	—	1

*11 of these were Collieries.

FEES.

DISTRICT.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
No. 1, ...	£11 1 9½	£7 19 3	£19 1 0½
„ 2, ...	11 5 6	10 1 7½	21 7 1½
„ 3, ...	5 16 4½	6 13 0	12 9 4½
„ 4, ...	11 13 5	6 17 2	18 10 7
	£39 17 1	£31 11 0½	£71 8 1½

No. 1 District.—In the course of the verification work 85 visits were made.
„ 2 „ „ „ „ 161 „ „

The two cases pending at date of last report have been disposed of, viz.:—
David Crichton, Stane (light parcels), fined £1 10s.
Mrs. John Laurie, Calderbank (unjust scale), fined £1.

27th October, 1909.

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24th November, 1909. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 24th November, 1909, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

John P. Campbell.	Robert Lambie.
Thos. G. Cowan.	James Prentice.
Alexander Fletcher.	Hugh Reid.
Thomas Fulton.	William Sym.
Joseph Halley.	William Templeton.

James Tonner.

Attending—

Edmund Donald, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Chairman. Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 27th October, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Inspectors' reports. The Clerk laid before the meeting the reports of the Inspectors for the month of October, a summary of which (Appendix) had been sent to each member of the committee.

Inspectors' salaries, &c. There was also submitted a note of the salaries and expenses of the inspectors and of the wages of the inspectors' assistants for the month ending 15th proximo, payment of which was authorised by the committee, subject to being passed by the Finance Committee, as follows, viz. :—

Inspectors' Salaries—

Chief Inspector, ...	£17 10 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	12 10 0	
Inspector Mitchell, ...	12 10 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	10 8 4	
		£52 18 4

Inspectors' Assistants Wages—

Chief Inspector, ...	£8 0 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	7 10 0	
Inspector Mitchell, ...	6 10 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	6 10 0	
		28 10 0
		£81 8 4

The meeting also passed for payment the following sums in respect of inspectors' expenses, viz. :—

Inspectors' Expenses—

Chief Inspector, ...	£6 19 2
Inspector Chrystal, ...	2 13 6
Inspector Mitchell, ...	6 15 9
Inspector Paterson, ...	2 14 4
	£19 2 9

Accounts.

Carting of standard, weights, and measures :—

James Donaldson, Motherwell, ...	£6	6	0
John Anderson, Wishaw, ...	4	10	0
Wm. Bogle, Lanark, ...	5	0	0
Edward Lawrie, ...	12	0	0
	£27	16	0

Supply of standards and weights.—Messrs. Avery's offer accepted.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Chief Inspector submitted an offer from Messrs. De Grave, Short, & Co., London, to supply the standards, made of aluminium, and the weights referred to in the minutes of the committee, of date 22nd September last, for the sum of £38 10s., being £1 2s. 3d. more than the offer of Messrs. Avery. In these circumstances the meeting agreed to accept the offer of Messrs. Avery, and instructed the Chief Inspector accordingly.

Question as to whether Crawford or Abington is best centre for inspection of weights and measures for that particular district.

The meeting remitted to the Chief Inspector to inquire and report as to whether Crawford or Abington is the best centre for the inspection of weights and measures for that particular district.

Next meeting.

It was agreed that no meeting of the committee be held next month, and that it be remitted to any two members of the committee to pass accounts.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st OCTOBER, 1909.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	1,140	197	7	2	767	9	127	741	9	12	—	19
No 2,	662	31	2	2	608	3	4	608	3	6	3	3
No. 3,	66	1	—	—	30	16	17	30	—	1	—	1

Outdoor Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	Found Correct.			Required Adjusting.			Unstamped.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	*124	125	—	—	106	—	—	18	—	—	1
No. 3,	*123	120	—	—	117	—	—	3	—	—	—
No. 4,	*116	125	—	—	111	—	—	14	—	—	—

* 87, 75, and 76 of these were collieries.

Fees.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	s	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
No. 1,	11	19	8	6	2	2½	18	1	10½
„ 2,	3	15	7½	5	1	9½	8	17	5
„ 3,	6	18	1½	0	4	3½	7	2	5
„ 4,	4	16	0	0	1	1	4	17	1
	27	9	5	11	9	4½	38	18	9½

No. 1 District.—In the course of the verification work 50 visits were made.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 27th October, 1909, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 27th October, 1909.

Present—

David J. Black.
Colonel Buchanan.
Thos. G. Cowan.
James H. Fenton.
Alexander Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
A. D. Mack.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
James Prentice.
John D. Scott.
William Speirs.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas F. Wilson.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Thomas F. Wilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 2nd June, which had been submitted to, and approved of by, the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

There were submitted to the meeting the reports by the County Medical Officer for the months of May, June, July, August, and September, relating to proceedings under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Act and the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, prints of which had been sent to each member of the committee. — *Monthly reports by County Medical Officer.*

With reference to the Appeals to the House of Lords by the Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge, the Clerk stated that a request had been made on behalf of the burghs that the time for lodging their cases should be extended from 15th September to 30th November next, and the meeting, after consideration, agreed that consent be given to a continuation of the cases until the last-mentioned date. — *Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge.—Appeals.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting letters which he had received from the Town-Clerks of Airdrie and Coatbridge, suggesting that only one of the actions raised by the County Council against these two burghs should go to the House of Lords, and that the decision in that case should be held as binding in the other action. The meeting, having considered the matter, and having been advised that the pleas in the actions are different, and also that the circumstances of the two burghs are dissimilar, did not think it would be satisfactory to take one case as governing the other, and in these circumstances declined to agree to the proposal. The Clerk was instructed accordingly. — *Letters from Town-Clerks of Airdrie and Coatbridge. — Proposal that decision in one action should be taken as binding in the other.*

Burgh of Hamilton.– Letter from Town-Clerk.

With reference to the pollution of the Cadzow Burn by sewage from the Burgh of Hamilton, the Clerk submitted a letter which he had received from the Town-Clerk of that burgh, which was in the following terms, viz. :—

"The Town House,
"Hamilton, 9th June, 1909.

"Dear Sir,

"Rivers Pollution Prevention.

"I submitted your letter of 2nd instant to a meeting of the Town Council last night, and I am directed to inform you that they are taking steps to have Cadzow Burn dealt with. Clause 29 of the Provisional Order was withdrawn in respect of a report from the Engineers (Messrs. M'Creaths & Stevenson) pointing out that the washing green was unsuitable, and suggesting a site at Smithycroft. Immediately on receipt of this report I was instructed by the Town Council to communicate with the Commissioner for the Trustees of the late Duke of Hamilton, in order to ascertain if ground would be available there, and if so, as to the terms upon which the Burgh would be allowed to acquire it.

"The sewer from Cadzow Burn to Smithycroft is chiefly through private property, and as the length is considerable, it will involve negotiations and arrangements with the persons affected. The Local Authority are also causing full enquiries to be made, with the view of having the whole of the sewage of the burgh dealt with, if possible, at the two sites, viz. :—the present works at Auchinraith and the proposed works at Smithycroft.

"I am to assure the County Council that the Local Authority are giving this matter their very serious consideration, and will do everything in their power to have the works constructed as soon as possible.

"Yours faithfully,

(Signed) "P. M. Kirkpatrick.

Question of institution of proceedings continued.

The meeting, in view of the circumstances explained in the above communication, continued the question of the institution of proceedings.

Burgh of Motherwell.—Letter from Town-Clerk.

The Clerk stated that the Town-Clerk of Motherwell had, in July last, sent to him, in terms of Section 104 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, a notice of the intention of the Town Council of Motherwell to construct outfall sewers in connection with the proposed purification works to treat the sewage from the western section of the burgh, requesting, at the same time, the consent of the County Council to the Town Council proceeding with the proposed works without waiting until the expiration of the three months' notice required under the section referred to. The Clerk stated that, having consulted with the County Medical Officer and the District Clerk on the subject, he had written to the Town-Clerk of Motherwell stating that, while he had had no opportunity of consulting the County Council or their committee, he was satisfied they would offer no opposition to the work being proceeded with at once—but stating at the same time that the consent was expressly limited to the specific requirements of the section referred to, and did not imply any acquiescence of the County Council as Local Authority under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts. The meeting approved of the action of the Clerk.

Reply of County Clerk approved.

Pollution of North Calder.—Mossend Steel Works.

With regard to the pollution of the North Calder Water by spent ammoniacal liquor from Mossend Steel Works, the Clerk stated that, as instructed, he had made application to the Secretary for Scotland for his consent to the institution of proceedings against Messrs. William Beardmore & Company, Ltd., and that, following upon this application, an inspection had been made by Mr. W. S. Curphey, Inspector under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts. He further submitted and read a letter which he had received from the Under-Secretary for Scotland, and which was in the following terms, viz. :—

Letter from Secretary for Scotland.

" Scottish Office,
12647/9. " Whitehall, S.W., 4th October, 1909.

" Sir,

" With reference to previous correspondence regarding the alleged pollution of North Calder Water by spent ammoniacal liquor from Mossend Steel Works, I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to state that he is informed that a scheme for preventing pollution has been considered by Messrs. Beardmore & Company, in consultation with the Inspector under the Rivers Pollution Act. His Lordship suggests that you should therefore communicate with Messrs. Beardmore, and thereafter report to him whether the matter is brought to a satisfactory conclusion, or whether the Secretary for Scotland's consent to the institution of legal proceedings is still found to be required.

" I am, &c.,

(Signed) " James M. Dodds."

The Clerk stated that, since the receipt of the above communication, he had had a meeting with Mr. Neilson, the manager of the Mossend Steel Works, who had assured him that it was the intention of his Directors to lay down works, with the object of preventing pollution, but that the works could not possibly be completed for at least nine months.

The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk, on receiving intimation that the Directors of the Company had resolved to proceed without delay to lay down the works indicated by Mr. Neilson, to write to the Secretary for Scotland, stating that the County Council were agreeable to delay the question of the institution of proceedings for a period of twelve months, in the hope that at the end of that time effective means to prevent pollution will have been provided.

Communications from the District Committees.

The Clerk stated that, as instructed by the committee, he had written to the several District Committees of the County, inquiring what further progress had been made in the direction of preventing the pollution of the streams in the county by sewage from special drainage districts, and he laid before the meeting reports which he had received from each of the committees.

In order that the purport of these reports might be presented to the committee in a concise form, the County Medical Officer undertook to bring his report on Rivers Pollution Prevention down to date, and to send a copy of it to each member of the committee.

Complaint from Mrs. Paterson, Garnqueen.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a complaint which he had received from Mrs. Paterson, Garnqueen, Glenboig, dated 2nd July, 1909, as to the polluted condition of the stream which runs through her farm, together with a report thereon by the County Medical Officer.

Question of forming Glenboig into Drainage District.

The Clerk stated that the alleged pollution was understood to be the result of sewage being allowed to enter the stream from the village of Glenboig, which is situated partly in the district of the Middle Ward and partly in the Lower Ward, and that the question of forming the area into a drainage district had some time ago been before the District Committees, but that, owing to the low valuation, it was deemed impracticable.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed that the matter be again brought before the District Committees of the Middle and Lower Wards.

North Calder.—Complaint by Messrs. Alex. Baird & Son.

There was submitted to the meeting a complaint by Messrs. Alexander Baird & Son, Limited, of date 28th May last, as to the polluted condition of the North Calder Water which passes through their iron and steel works at Cairnhill, together with a report thereon by the County Medical Officer. The Clerk was instructed to inform Messrs. Baird of the actions now pending against the Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge.

Communication with colliery owners.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, he had been in communication with the following proprietors of collieries with regard to pollutions arising from coal dross washing operations, viz. :—

Messrs. The Shotts Iron Company, Ltd., *re* Hartwoodhill Colliery;

Messrs. James Dunlop & Co., Ltd., *re* Monkland Colliery;

Messrs. William Barr & Sons, *re* Bellfield Colliery;

Messrs. The Summerlee & Mossend Iron & Steel Company, Ltd., *re* Bardykes Colliery;

Messrs. James Nimmo & Co., Ltd., *re* Broomfield Colliery;

Messrs. The United Collieries, Ltd., *re* Kirkwood Collieries;

Messrs. The Kepplehill Coal Company, Ltd., *re* Kepplehill Colliery;

Messrs. The United Collieries, Ltd., *re* Quarter Collieries;

and that satisfactory replies had been received in each case, with the exception of Messrs. James Dunlop & Co., with whom the Clerk was instructed to again communicate should the pollution continue or recur.

Sale of Food and Drugs Act.—Results of prosecutions.

The Clerk submitted a statement showing the results of the prosecutions under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts which had been intimated since the date of last meeting, and which was as follows:—

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
Robert Gibson, dairyman, Caledonian Road, Wishaw.	Sweet milk; added water, 18 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £6.
Mrs. Mary Torrance, Watsonhead Farm, Carluke.	Sweet milk; added water, 4 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £4 4s.
Roderick M'Kechnie, dairyman, Fallside Dairy, Bothwell.	Sweet milk; deficient in milk solids 10 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £4 4s.
Mrs. Elizabeth Scoular, dairy-keeper, 29 Bridge Street, Strathaven.	Sweet milk; deficient in milk fat 10 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £1.

Case of Roderick M'Kechnie.—Letter from law agents.

With reference to the case of Roderick M'Kechnie above referred to, the Clerk submitted a letter from Messrs. William & J. C. Pollok, solicitors, Hamilton, who had acted as agent for the defender, suggesting that, having regard to the special circumstances of the case, the County Council might be willing to forego the fine inflicted, or at least part of it. The meeting instructed the Clerk to state that the committee could not see their way to accede to the request.

Bleaching of flour.—Letter from County Medical Officer.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter which he had received from the County Medical Officer, of date 15th June last, transmitting notes explanatory of the processes recently introduced for the purpose of bleaching flour, and of the deleterious effects resulting from such processes. The meeting agreed that the matter should receive the further careful consideration of the County Medical Officer, and that, if necessary, some action should be taken with a view to protecting the public from such methods of manipulation.

School Hygiene.—Third International Congress.—Appointment of delegates.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Third International Congress on School Hygiene, inviting this County Council to appoint delegates to attend the congress, which it is proposed to be held in Paris in the first week of August, 1910. The meeting, after consideration, appointed the Convener of the County and the Chairman of the Committee, along with the County Clerk and the County Medical Officer, to attend the congress as delegates from this County.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the following communications, which he had received from the Local Government Board, viz. :— *Communications from Local Government Board.*

(1) Circular letter, dated 8th September, 1909, calling upon Local Authorities to exercise vigilance and take precautions against the outbreak of Cholera;

(2) Circular letter, dated 9th August, 1909, directing the attention of Local Authorities and Medical Officers of Health to a report by Dr. Eastwood regarding the methods adopted in various American States for the control of tuberculosis amongst cattle, &c.; and

(3) Circular letter, dated 6th August, directing the attention of Local Authorities and their Officers to a report prepared by Dr. Hamill, of the Local Government Board for England, on "facing" and other methods of preparing rice for sale.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 24th November, 1909, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 24th November, 1909.

Present—

John Adam.	Thomas Fulton.
J. P. Baird.	Alexander Hamilton.
David J. Black.	A. D. Mack.
Colonel Buchanan.	William Speirs.
Walter C. B. Christie.	J. C. Hope Vere.
T. G. Cowan.	Thomas F. Wilson.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Thomas F. Wilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 27th October, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a communication which he had received from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, which was in the following terms, viz. :— *Meat Inspection.—Communication from Town-Clerk, Glasgow.*

"City Chambers,
"Glasgow, 19th November, 1909.

"Dear Sir,

"MEAT INSPECTION.

"For a considerable time the Corporation of Glasgow have been endeavouring to secure throughout Scotland a uniform system of inspection and standard of adjudication of meat. At present each Authority has its own standard, and meat which would be seized in one district is allowed to pass in another. Such a state of affairs is manifestly unsatisfactory. To remedy this the Corporation have urged the Local Government Board to introduce a uniform system and standard, and appoint to their staff a Veterinary Surgeon with practical experience to supervise the work of inspection, so as to ensure uniformity. The Corporation are anxious to

secure the co-operation of other Authorities, and I shall be obliged if you will bring the matter before your Council, so that, if agreed, they may support the proposal by petitioning the Board in favour thereof, or taking part in such concerted action as may be agreed upon among the various Authorities.

"Yours faithfully,

"*For the Town Clerk,*

(Signed) "J. L. MACKENZIE.

"The County Clerk of Lanarkshire,
"Hamilton."

The meeting having been reminded of the consideration which the committee had already given to this matter, appointed the following sub-committee to further consider the question, and to confer with the District Committees and, if deemed advisable, with other Local Authorities on the subject, viz.:—

James H. Fenton.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Thomas Fulton.	John D. Scott.
John Jackson.	William Speirs.
Robert Lambie.	Thomas F. Wilson.

Mr. John D. Scott to be chairman of the sub-committee, and two a quorum.

Rivers Pollution.—Kepplehill Coal Company, Limited.

The Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting he had been in communication with the Kepplehill Coal Company, Limited, with regard to the pollution of the Blind Burn by coal-dross washings from their Stane and Kepplehill Collieries, and he submitted the reply which he had received, stating that they had brought the matter before their colliery managers, who assured them that everything had been put in order, and that they hoped there would be no further cause for complaint.

Alleged Pollution of Clyde near Corporation Works at West Thorn.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a cutting from a recent issue of the *Glasgow Evening News*, containing an anonymous letter alleging serious pollution by coal-dross washings of the River Clyde near the Corporation works at West Thorn, and stated that, at his request, Dr. Wilson had made inquiry into the complaint, and had sent him a reply, which he submitted and read, and which showed that the complaint was groundless.

The meeting instructed the Clerk to forward a copy of Dr. Wilson's letter to the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, and to assure them of the continued vigilance of the County Council in connection with the prevention of the pollution of the Clyde and its tributaries.

Rivers Pollution.—Second Report by County Medical Officer.

The County Medical Officer laid upon the table proof print of his Second Report on the administration of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts, and stated that copies of it would be sent shortly to each member of the committee.

Food and Drugs Acts.—Communication from Board of Agriculture re *adulteration of cream.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication from the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, of date 1st October, on the subject of the adulteration of cream, a copy of which he had sent to the County Medical Officer.

Food and Drugs prosecution.

The Clerk reported that since the date of last meeting Neil Robertson, dairyman, Stewarton Street, Wishaw, had pled guilty to having sold sweet milk, which was certified by the analyst to be not genuine by reason of the addition thereto of 8 per cent. of water or thereby, and had been fined £3, the alternative being ten days' imprisonment.

Congress of Royal Sanitary Institute at Brighton.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication from the Secretary of the Royal Sanitary Institute, intimating that the Twenty-fifth Congress of the Institute would be held at Brighton in September next, and inviting this County Council to appoint delegates to attend the Congress.

Appointment of delegates.

The meeting, after consideration, appointed the following to attend the Congress as delegates from this County Council, viz.:—

Robert Lambie.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
A. D. Mack.	Thomas F. Wilson.

Along with the County Clerk and the County Medical Officer.

Resignation of Dr. Watt.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter which he had received from Dr. Ernest Watt, Senior Assistant Medical Inspector, resigning his appointment in consequence of his having been appointed Medical Officer of Health for the Burgh of Partick.

Dr. Macdonald appointed Senior Assistant Medical Officer.

The meeting, after discussion, agreed that Dr. Macdonald, presently Junior Assistant, should succeed Dr. Watt, and that his salary be increased to £200 per annum as from and after 15th current.

Post of Junior Assistant Medical Officer. — Remit to County Medical Officer.

With reference to the appointment of a Medical Officer to succeed Dr. Macdonald, the meeting agreed that the salary attached to the office should be £170 per annum, and that it be remitted to the County Medical Officer to make the appointment, and, should he think it necessary or advisable, to consult with the Chairman and the County Clerk in the matter.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 3rd November, 1909, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 3rd November, 1909.

Present—

William Barr.	Robert Lambie.
David J. Black.	Colonel Logan.
Colonel Buchanan.	A. D. Mack.
George Fraser.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Nathaniel Gold.	William Neilson.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	Alexander Pillans.
William Kerr.	John D. Scott.

William Templeton.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 29th September, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There were also submitted and approved the minutes of the sub-committee appointed to consider and report in regard to the remuneration of the Collectors of County Rates, of dates 13th and 27th October (Appendix), and, as recommended by the sub-committee the rates of commission in the several collection districts were fixed as follows:— *Minutes of Sub-Committee re Remuneration of Collectors of County Rates.—Rates of commission fixed.*

(1) Glasgow District—1½ per cent.;
(2) Hamilton District—¾ per cent.;
(3) Airdrie District—1⅛ per cent.;
(4) Lanark District—1⅛ per cent.;
(5) Strathaven District—1⅛ per cent;
(6) Biggar District—1⅛ per cent.

The meeting further agreed, in accordance with the recommendation of the sub-committee, that the Clerk be instructed to submit to the committee information which might assist them in considering whether the proposal that the collection of the County Rates should be carried out by the County Clerk and Treasurer was advisable or practicable, having regard to the convenience of the ratepayers and the cost involved.

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £58,722 8s. 6d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment—the precept book and the accounts and requisitions being initialed by Messrs. John D. Scott and James Hamilton Houldsworth, and the meeting remitted to any two members to sign cheques for the amounts stated in the precept book. *Accounts and requisitions.*

Statement of loans.

The Clerk submitted the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz. :—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 30TH OCTOBER, 1909.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£880,024	0 3
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£9,650 0 0		
Loans repaid do., ...	5,938 15 8		
		3,711	4 4
		£883,735	4 7

The County Fund stands at £13,296 to the debit.

Middle Ward Water Requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, viz. :—

No. 120 (new), dated 30th October, 1909, ...	£294 11 4
No. 128 (old), dated 30th October, 1909, ...	15 19 3

Increase of salary of County Auditor.—Communication from Under Secretary for Scotland.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a communication from the Under-Secretary for Scotland, of date 27th October, intimating the approval of the Secretary for Scotland of the increase of the salary of the County Auditor to £400.

Omoa Square.—Collection of rates.—Small Debt Summonses to be served.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, at which it was agreed to take steps against certain persons residing in Omoa Square, Parish of Shotts, who had defied the officer to collect the rates due by them, the Clerk laid before the meeting a communication from Messrs. Motherwell, M'Murdo, & Mitchell, writers, Airdrie, who had been instructed to institute proceedings, suggesting that, as possibly the best course to adopt, Small Debt summonses should be served on the persons concerned, and that, in the event of their still declining to pay, steps should be taken to have them imprisoned on the decree of the Sheriff. The meeting approved, and the Clerk was instructed to intimate to Messrs Motherwell, M'Murdo, & Mitchell accordingly.

Lands Valuation Acts.—Alleged false returns.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting informations against two persons, one in the Parish of Cambusnethan and the other in the Parish of Glasgow, who were alleged to have made, in contravention of the Lands Valuation Acts, false returns of the valuations of their respective properties. The whole circumstances of each of the cases having been explained by the Clerk, the committee agreed, in the event of the Assessors considering it advisable to take legal proceedings against the parties, to meet the expense of the prosecutions.

Audit of County Accounts.

The Clerk intimated that the audit of the accounts of the County Council, including those of the District Committees, had, after the usual intimation, taken place on the 22nd ultimo, and he laid on the table a duplicate abstract of accounts certified by the Auditor.

Schemes of public utility.—Communication from Under Secretary for Scotland.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the following communication from the Under-Secretary for Scotland, viz. :—

"Scottish Office,
"Whitehall, S.W., 27th October, 1909.

"SIR,

"In reply to your letter of 23rd ultimo, I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to state, for the information of the County Council of Lanarkshire, that he approves, in terms of section 2 (5) (*c*) of the Education and Local Taxation Account (Scotland) Act, 1892, of the contribution this year from the county's share of the Equivalent Grant, of the following sums for the purposes mentioned, as schemes of public utility, viz. :—

(1) £100 towards assisting in the training of nurses to be employed in the county by the Scottish Branch of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses;

(2) £50 to the funds of the Lanarkshire Association for Nurses, which is affiliated to Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses; and

(3) £250 to the Glasgow and West of Scotland Technical College, towards the expense of taking over Holmes Farm, Kilmarnock, for the purposes of agricultural education, &c.

"With regard, however, to the proposal to make a further contribution towards the establishment of rifle clubs in the County, I am going to suggest, for the consideration of the County Council, that in view of the terms of Section 2 (2) (*f*) of the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, it would appear to be primarily the concern of the Territorial Forces Association in the county under that Act to assist rifle clubs, and I am to inquire whether the County Council has been in communication with the association in reference to the matter.

"I am, &c.,

(Signed) "JAMES M. DODDS."

Clerk instructed to reply.

The Clerk was instructed to state in reply that, when the committee decided to recommend a renewal of the grant in question, they had in view the provisions of Section 2 (2) (F) of the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, but they agreed that part of the grant might with advantage be used by way of supplementing the Government Grant, and applied to such purposes as may be approved by the County Council's representatives on the Territorial Forces Association for the County.

Maintenance of a boy in Parkhead Reformatory.

The Clerk stated that, on behalf of the County Council, he had agreed to grant the usual contribution for the maintenance of a boy, James Kane, New Stevenston, who had been sent to Parkhead Reformatory, and the meeting approved.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works, viz. :—

Upper Ward.

(1) £385 for the extension of sewage disposal works in connection with the Carnwath Special Drainage District;

(2) £50 for the purchase of a waste-detecting meter for use in the Lesmahagow Special Water District;

(3) £50 for the construction of fireplugs on the distributing mains in Braidwood Special Water District;

(4) £50 for the extension and alteration of the distributing pipes in the Carluke Special Water District;

(5) £20 for the erection of three additional lamps in the Crosslaw Special Lighting District.

Middle Ward.

£1,500, being proportion applicable to Middle Ward District of £19,035 for the construction of sewage purification works to serve a portion of Mount Vernon Special Drainage District.

The meeting, having considered the above applications, and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

Application relative to Extension of Sewage Disposal Works in connection with Carnwath Drainage District.

With reference to the application by the Upper Ward District Committee relative to the extension of sewage disposal works in connection with the Carnwath Special Drainage District, there was submitted a communication from the Clerk to that committee, stating that the committee desired that the repayment of the debt presently affecting the district in question, so far as incurred for the construction of these works, should, as allowed by the Lanarkshire County Council Order, 1907, be spread over a period of 50 years from the date when the debt was incurred.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed that the request of the District Committee be complied with, should the Clerk be satisfied that the circumstances of the case rendered it expedient that advantage should be taken of the powers conferred upon the County Council by the Order of 1907.

APPENDIX I.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* COLLECTION OF RATES.

13th October, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 13th October, 1909, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed to consider and report in regard to the Remuneration of the Collectors of County Rates.

Present—

George Fraser.	William Neilson.
William Kerr.	Alexander Pillans.
Robert Lambie.	John D. Scott.

Chairman.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Remit.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the remit to the sub-committee, as contained in the minutes of the Finance Committee of date 29th September.

Purpose for which meeting called.

The Clerk stated that the meeting had been called in case the sub-committee might consider it expedient to submit a report to the County Council at their meeting to be held on 14th current, when it fell to the Council to appoint collectors.

Recommendation to County Council.

The meeting, after discussion, agreed to continue for further consideration the question of the remuneration of the collectors, and to recommend the County Council to renew the appointments of the collectors for the several districts of the county, subject to the rate of commission in each case being fixed by the Finance Committee.

27th October, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 27th October, 1909, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed to consider and report in regard to the Remuneration of the Collectors of County Rates.

Present—

David J. Black.	Robert Lambie.
George Fraser.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Green.	Alexander Pillans.
William Kerr.	William Neilson.

John D. Scott.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederent having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 13th current, were submitted in draft, and, having been read, were approved of. *Minutes of last meeting.*

In supplement of the information already submitted to the Finance Committee, the Clerk submitted statements (Appendices I. and II.), copies of which he handed to each member of the sub-committee. *Statements prepared by Clerk.*

The Clerk stated that he had intimated to the several collectors their appointment as collectors of the consolidated rates for the year 1909-10, subject to their respective rates of commission being fixed by the Finance Committee, and he submitted and read letters which he had received from them agreeing to accept the appointments on the condition named. *Intimation of appointment to collectors.*

The meeting having fully considered the circumstances of each collection, Mr. Pillans moved that the rate of commission for the Glasgow district be reduced from $1\frac{5}{8}$ per cent. to $1\frac{3}{8}$ per cent., which was seconded by Mr. Lambie. *Rate of commission, Glasgow district.*

Mr. Fraser moved, by way of amendment, that the rate of commission for the Glasgow district be reduced from $1\frac{5}{8}$ per cent. to $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., which was seconded by Mr. Black.

On the motion and amendment being put to the meeting, a majority voted for the amendment, which the chairman accordingly declared to be carried.

The meeting agreed on the motion of Mr. Pillans, seconded by Mr. Fraser, that the rate of commission in the case of the Hamilton collection be reduced from $\frac{7}{8}$ per cent. to $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. *Rate of commission, Hamilton district.*

Mr. Pillans moved that in the case of the Airdrie collection the rate of commission be reduced from $1\frac{1}{4}$ to 1 per cent., which was seconded by Mr. Lambie. *Rate of commission, Airdrie district.*

Mr Fraser moved, by way of amendment, that the rate of commission for the Airdrie collection be reduced from $1\frac{1}{4}$ to $1\frac{1}{8}$ per cent., which was seconded by Mr Kerr.

On the motion and amendment having been put to the meeting, a majority voted for the amendment, which the Chairman declared to be carried.

Thereafter the meeting agreed that the rates of commission, with respect to (1) Lanark, (2) Strathaven, and (3) Biggar collections, be reduced, in each case, from $1\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. to $1\frac{1}{8}$ per cent. *Rates of commission, Lanark, Strathaven, and Biggar districts.*

The meeting accordingly recommend the Finance Committee that the rates of commission in the several districts be as follows:— *Recommendation to Finance Committee.*

(1) Glasgow District—$1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.
(2) Hamilton District—$\frac{3}{4}$ per cent.
(3) Airdrie District—$1\frac{1}{8}$ per cent.
(4) Lanark District—$1\frac{1}{8}$ per cent,
(5) Strathaven District—$1\frac{1}{8}$ per cent.
(6) Biggar District—$1\frac{1}{8}$ per cent.

The meeting having discussed a proposal by Mr. Lambie that the collection of county rates should be carried out by the County Clerk and Treasurer, agreed to submit the matter for the consideration of the Finance Committee. and to recommend that the Clerk be instructed to submit to the committee information which might assist them in considering whether such an alteration in the method of collection is advisable or practicable, having regard to the convenience of the ratepayers, and the cost involved. *Clerk instructed to prepare memorandum as to practicability of his undertaking collection of rates.*

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

DETAILS OF COLLECTORS' DISBURSEMENTS, 1908-09.

	Glasgow Collection.	Hamilton Collection.	Airdrie. Collection.	Lanark Collection.	Strathaven Collection.	Biggar Collection.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Clerical assistance, ...	402 0 0	253 14 8	74 0 0	35 0 0	20 0 0	21 5 0	805 19 8
Postage and receipt stamps and messengers delivering notices, ...	75 0 0	71 10 2	31 10 0	30 0 0	13 0 0	9 7 0	230 7 2
Hire of halls, railway fares, and incidental expenses in connection with outdoor collections, ...	23 0 0	20 0 2	7 10 0	10 0 0	5 0 0	3 4 10	68 15 0
Office charges, ...	56 0 0	34 15 3	5 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	120 15 3
Guarantee premium, ...	9 0 0	12 9 4	3 3 9	2 0 0	1 6 3	0 17 3	28 16 7
Other expenses, ...	15 0 0	5 2 10	2 5 0	3 0 0	...	...	25 7 10
Total disbursements,	580 0 0	397 12 5	123 8 9	85 0 0	49 6 3	44 14 1	1,280 1 6
Collectors' commission, 1908-09, ...	1,026 9 11	751 16 10	274 1 2	208 16 9	109 6 8	105 10 10	2,476 2 2
Balance, being Collectors' personal remuneration,	446 9 11	354 4 5	150 12 5	123 16 9	60 0 5	60 16 9	1,196 0 8

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT AS TO COLLECTORS' COMMISSION, &c.

	Rate per Cent.	Glasgow Collection.	Rate per Cent.	Hamilton Collection.	Rate per Cent.	Airdrie Collection.	Rate per Cent.	Lanark Collection.	Rate per Cent.	Strathaven Collection.	Rate per Cent.	Biggar Collection.	Total.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1. Collectors' Commission, 1905-06, ...	...	989 19 1	...	733 18 10	...	305 9 0	...	211 0 3	...	147 10 7	...	93 17 0	2,481 14 9
2. Collectors' Disbursements, 1905-06, ...	...	538 0 0	...	374 8 7	...	95 16 3	...	85 0 0	...	53 0 0	...	32 18 8	1,179 3 6
3. Balance, being personal remuneration, 1905-06, ...	...	451 19 1	...	359 10 3	...	209 12 9	...	126 0 3	...	94 10 7	...	60 18 4	1,302 11 3
4. Commission then reduced by	$\frac{1}{8}$	71 0 0	$\frac{1}{8}$	92 0 0	$\frac{1}{4}$	51 0 0	$\frac{1}{4}$	35 0 0	$\frac{1}{2}$	42 0 0	$\frac{1}{4}$	16 0 0	307 0 0
5. Leaving personal remuneration then	...	380 19 1	...	267 10 3	...	158 12 9	...	91 0 3	...	52 10 7	...	44 18 4	995 11 3
6. Collectors' Commission now is	...	1,026 9 11	...	751 16 10	...	274 1 2	...	208 16 9	...	109 6 8	...	105 10 10	2,476 2 2
7. Collectors' Disbursements now are	...	580 0 0	...	397 12 5	...	123 8 9	...	85 0 0	...	49 6 3	...	44 14 1	1,280 1 6
8. Personal remuneratio now, ...	...	446 9 11	..	354 4 5	...	150 12 5	...	123 16 9	...	60 0 5	...	60 16 9	1,196 0 8
9. Increase in personal remuneration since last adjustment of Commission, ...	...	65 10 10	...	86 14 2	...	8 0 4*	...	32 16 6	...	7 9 10	...	15 18 5	200 9 5
10. One-eighth per cent. commission gives	...	128 0 0	...	94 0 0	...	34 0 0	...	26 0 0	...	14 0 0	...	13 0 0	309 0 0
11. No. of Demand Notes and Receipts, 1905-06, ...	...	59,434	...	33,733	...	9,750	...	8,037	...	4,366	...	3,805	119,125
12. „ „ „ 1907-08, ...	...	65,410	...	38,350	...	10,000	...	8,850	...	4,550	...	4,290	131,450
13. Gross Commission, per Demand Note issued, ...	...	3·76d.	...	4·71d.	...	6·58d.	...	6·24d.	...	5·75d.	...	5·93d.	4·52d.†
14. Collectors' Disbursements „ „ ...	...	2·13d.	...	2·49d.	...	2·95d.	...	2·31d.	...	2·58d.	...	2·84d.	2·34d.†
15. Net personal remuneration to collectors „ ...	...	1·63d.	...	2·22d.	...	3·63d.	...	3·93d.	...	3·17d.	...	3·09d.	2·18d.†
16. Number of days occupied by outdoor collections, ...	...	63	...	23	...	7	...	7	...	4	...	3	107

* Decrease. † Average.

1st December, 1909. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 1st December, 1909, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

William Barr.	Colonel Logan.
David J. Black.	A. D. Mack.
Colonel Buchanan.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Richard Gibb.	William Neilson.
Nathaniel Gold.	John D. Scott.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.

Chairman. Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 3rd November, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Accounts and requisitions. Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £38,334 14s. 2d., were laid before the meeting, and, the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept book and the accounts and requisitions being initialed by Messrs. A. D. Mack and Alexander Pillans, and the meeting remitted to any two members to sign cheques for the amounts stated in the precept book.

Statement of loans. The Clerk submitted the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee :—

Statement of Loan Indebtedness as at 27th November, 1909.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...				£883,735	4	7
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£57,304	0	0			
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	46,398	4	5			
				10,905	15	7
				£894,641	0	2

The County Fund stands at £39,959 to the debit.

Certificate as to accuracy of bank account. The meeting authorised the Chairman and Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, and the Clerk, to sign a certificate, asked for by the Royal Bank, certifying the accuracy of the bank account as at the date of the bank's balance on 9th October last.

Middle Ward Water requisitions. There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water undertaking, viz. :—

No. 121 (new), dated 27th November, 1909, ...	£2,200	2	6
No. 129 (old), dated 27th November, 1909, ...	3	0	8

Wild Birds Protection Acts.—Alleged contravention by Mr. Edward Stoddart. There was laid before the meeting a complaint at the instance of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals against Mr. Edward Stoddart, Glenerne Cottage, Townhead, Biggar, for an alleged contravention of the Wild Birds Protection Acts, and suggesting a prosecution. The Clerk having explained the whole circumstances of the case, the meeting instructed him to communicate with the offender warning him against repeating the offence.

Valuation Appeals.—Clyde Navigation Trust.

The Clerk submitted an application which he had received from Mr. D. Cram, Assessor, requesting that the County Council would defray the expenses of his appearance before the Lands Valuation Judges in connection with the appeal against the decision of the Valuation Committee of the Lower Ward District fixing the valuation of Glasgow Harbour undertaking of the Clyde Navigation Trustees, and explaining the position which he proposed to maintain. The committee, after consideration, resolved to recommend the County Council to defray such expenses as the Assessor might reasonably incur in the matter.

Glasgow Court Houses.—Assessment.

There was submitted to the meeting a letter from the Clerk to the Glasgow Court House Commission, dated 15th ultimo, stating that the Court House Commissioners had imposed an assessment of £1,700 10s. 2d. on the City of Glasgow, the Burgh of Rutherglen, and the Lower Ward, according to their respective rentals. As relative thereto, the Clerk stated that the Commissioners had made a charge for interest at the rate of 3 per cent., amounting to £48 1s. 9d., in respect of delayed payment of the Lower Ward's proportion of the balance of the capital expenditure on the alterations, &c., on the County Buildings. The meeting, while repudiating the claim for interest, agreed that the sum assessed on the Lower Ward, amounting to £307 2s., should, after deduction of the sum claimed for interest, be paid out of the balance at the credit of the assessment account.

Forth Water.—Action by Arbiter for recovery of fess and outlays.

The Clerk submitted an initial writ, issued in the Sheriff Court of Lanarkshire at Hamilton at the instance of Mr. Johnston, for recovery of fees and outlays as arbiter in the recent reference between the County Council and the proprietor of Mossplat, and gave explanations as to the negotiations that had taken place with Mr. Johnston. The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to defend the action.

Valuation and Assessment Rolls.—Statement shewing cost.

There was laid before the meeting a statement showing (*a*) cost of the writing and comparing of the copies of the Valuation Roll for the current year, supplied to parishes and other rating authorities, showing a net cost to the County of £149 8s. 7d.; and (*b*) cost of the preparation of County Assessment Rolls, showing a net cost to the County of £374 12s. 3d. The meeting approved thereof.

Application by Mr. George Easton, bar officer at Airdrie, for an allowance in respect of Criminal Court cases.

There was laid before the meeting an application by Mr. George Easton, bar officer at Airdrie, for an allowance in respect of work done by him in connection with the J.P. Criminal Court at Airdrie. The Clerk reminded the meeting of a previous application by Mr. Easton, and of the matter having been remitted to a sub-committee, who, after considering the whole circumstances, did not see their way to recommend the committee to grant an allowance. The meeting, after consideration, declined to accede to the request, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

Temporary loan.—Lost acknowledgment.—Messrs. James and Archibald Hamilton.

With reference to a temporary loan of £5,000 received from Messrs. James and Archibald Hamilton, 56 Wilson Street, Glasgow, the Clerk reported that the acknowledgment granted in respect thereof, and which had been in the custody of Mr. James Hamilton, now deceased, was lost, and that Mr. Archibald Hamilton and the deceased's executors were prepared to grant an indemnity securing the County Council against any loss which they might incur in connection with the original acknowledgment. In these circumstances, the meeting authorised the Clerk to make payment of the loan on receiving the indemnity.

Assessment for Carmyle, Mount Vernon, Fullarton, &c., Scavenging.—Protest by ratepayers.

In connection with the proposed formation of a special scavenging district for the Carmyle, Mount Vernon, Fullarton, &c., District, and for which an assessment had been imposed for the current year, the Clerk intimated that the ratepayers in the district concerned were protesting against paying that assessment, on the ground that the district had not yet been formed. The Clerk explained to the meeting that the delay in the formation of the district was due to the fact that, on the resolution of the District Committee forming the special district in question coming before the committee of the County Council appointed with reference to the formation of special districts, Messrs. James Dunlop and Company objected to the inclusion of their works within the proposed district. Their objections, however, were not sustained by the committee, but Messrs. Dunlop had intimated an appeal to the Sheriff Substitute, which was still pending.

Remit to sub-committee.

The meeting, after consideration, remitted the matter to the following sub-committee, with power, should they see fit, to abandon the assessment for the current year, viz.:—

Colonel Buchanan. A. D. Mack.
William Neilson.

Communication from Secretary for Scotland re appointment of Mr. Peter Rintoul as County Auditor.

The Clerk submitted a communication from the Under Secretary for Scotland, of date 25th November last, intimating the appointment of Mr. Peter Rintoul, C.A., 212 West George Street, Glasgow, as Auditor of the Accounts of the County Council, including the accounts of the District Committees, for the year ending 15th May next.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works, viz.:—

Middle Ward.

(1) £324 for the widening and improving of Crossgates and Luggie Road and others within the Middle Ward District;

(2) £111 19s. 8d. for the taking over of a sewer at George Street, West End, Bellshill, within the Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District.

Lower Ward.

£96 12s. 6d. for the erection of lamps and lamp-posts in the Shettleston and Tollcross Special Lighting District.

The meeting, having considered the above applications, and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

SUB-COMMITTEE OF FINANCE COMMITTEE *RE* ASSESSMENT FOR CARMYLE, MOUNT VERNON, FULLLARTON, &c., SCAVENGING.

1st December, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 1st December, 1909, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to the question of imposing an assessment for the current year for Carmyle, Mount Vernon, Fullarton, &c., Scavenging.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan. | A. D. Mack
William Neilson.

Chairman.

(Colonel Buchanan presiding.)

Remit.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the remit to the sub-committee as contained in the minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held the same day.

Agreed to abandon assessment for current year.

Thereafter there were introduced to the meeting representatives of the Carmyle, &c., Ratepayers' Association, and the meeting, having heard their views in the matter, agreed that, in the special circumstances of the case, the assessment for the current year should be abandoned.

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ELECTRIC LIGHTING ORDERS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 3rd November, 1909, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark on Electric Lighting Orders. 3rd November, 1909.

Present—

John Adam.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
James Anderson.	William Neilson.
Alexander Hamilton.	John D. Scott.
Robert Lambie.	James Stewart.

Thomas F. Wilson.

Attending—

Dr. Hill, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 6th June, 1909, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk stated that, since the date of last meeting, he had received applications from the following persons to take supplies of current from outside sources, and that he had, in the name of the committee, granted the permission asked for on the usual conditions, viz.:— *Applications for supplies of current.*

(1) Messrs. Marshall & Hunter, coalmasters, Wishaw, for permission to take from the Burgh of Wishaw a supply of current for Glenpark Pit.

(2) Messrs. Hope, Todd, & Kirk, W.S., Edinburgh, on behalf of Colonel Sprot, for permission to take a supply of electric current from the Clyde Valley Company for the purpose of lighting Garnkirk House.

(3) Messrs. Cooper & Co., to be allowed to supply one of their feuars at Thornton-hall with current for the purpose of electric light.

(4) J. Hall Nicol, Hamilton, for permission to take a supply of electric current from the Burgh of Motherwell for the purpose of lighting a roller skating rink, situated near the Tramway Power Station.

(5) Robert A. Blackadder, The Neuk, South Biggar Road, Airdrie, for permission to take a supply of current from the Coatbridge Electric Supply Company for the purpose of driving a 4 to 5 H.P. motor in his workshop.

The meeting approved of the Clerk's action.

Electric Lighting Acts Amendment Bill.

The Clerk submitted a communication, dated 29th July, 1909, from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, requesting the co-operation of the County Council to secure certain amendments on the Electric Lighting Acts Amendment Bill, and reported that as the amendments proposed appeared to be in the interests of the County Council, he had approached the Members of Parliament for the County, and had endeavoured to secure their services.

After explanations from the Clerk, the meeting approved of the steps taken.

Electric Lighting Orders.

The Clerk submitted a communication, dated 5th October, 1909, which he had received from the Board of Trade, directing attention to certain provisions in the Orders, and asking for information as to the steps that had been taken by the County Council to carry out their obligations thereunder. The Clerk also reported that, along with Mr. M'Lellan, Consulting Engineer, he had been in communication with the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company in regard to the terms of an arrangement under which the Council's obligations might be carried out by the Company.

The meeting, after discussion and full consideration, remitted to the Clerk, in consultation with Mr. M'Lellan, to report whether an arrangement such as indicated with the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company was practicable, and, if so, on what terms it could be arranged, with power, if he should consider it desirable, to adjust a tentative agreement between the County Council and the Company.

The meeting further instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Board of Trade, and to request that, in view of the steps that had been taken, they should defer coming to a decision in regard to the Orders.

Blantyre Electric Lighting Order.

The Clerk submitted letters, dated 21st October and 1st November, from Mr. J. F. MacDonald, Blantyre, in regard to the provisions of the Blantyre Order being put in force. He also reported the result of certain meetings which he had had with Mr. MacDonald and others.

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COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 3rd November, 1909, being a meeting of the County Council appointed with reference to Elections. 3rd November, 1909.

Present—

John Adam.	John D. Scott.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.	James Stewart.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.	Thomas F. Wilson.
William Neilson.	James Young.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell in the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting the remit made to the committee by the County Council, as contained in the minutes of the Council, of date 13th May last. *Remit to committee.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting the petition by the Dalserf Parish Council in favour of increased representation of Dalserf Parish on the County Council. *Petition by Parish Council of Dalserf.*

The Clerk reminded the meeting that in 1907 the County Council very fully considered a proposal similar to that now made by the Parish Council, but that from a statement of facts and figures submitted to the committee they did not then consider that the circumstances of the electoral divisions of Larkhall and Dalserf, as compared with the other divisions in the County, warranted any increase. *Statement by Clerk.*

The statement submitted in 1907 showed that according to the latest figures then obtainable there were in the Larkhall Division 2,049 electors, and in the Dalserf Division 929; that the average number of electors in the electoral divisions of the Middle Ward (including Police Burghs) was 1,453, and excluding Police Burghs 1,345. According to the last County Council Register (*i.e.*, 1907-1908), the number of electors in the Larkhall Division was 2,075, and in the Dalserf Division 1,016.

The Clerk further explained that when in 1907 the Secretary for Scotland issued an Order giving effect to certain proposals of the County Council in connection with the alteration of electoral divisions and an increase of the numbers of County Councillors, he stated that "frequent alterations in the electoral arrangements are obviously undesirable, but that he is prepared to meet the views of the County Council to the extent indicated . . . assuming that the result will be accepted as satisfactory for a reasonable period."

The meeting, after full consideration, agreed to report to the County Council that, in the opinion of the committee, the circumstances did not justify an increase in the representation. *Recommendation of committee.*

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INEBRIATES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 10th November, 1909, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed under the Inebriates Acts. 10th November, 1909.

Present—

WILLIAM BARR. | ALEXANDER HAMILTON.
JOHN P. CAMPBELL. | WILLIAM NEILSON.

Attending—

Miss DYKES, Lady Superintendent.

Mr. William Barr, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 6th October, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter which he had received from the Lady Superintendent, of date 7th November, stating that Mary M'Culloch had recently become most violent in her behaviour, and at times was quite beyond control, and suggesting her removal to the State Reformatory at Perth. *Case of Mary M'Culloch.*

The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to make application to the Secretary for Scotland to direct the removal of the inmate named from the Reformatory at Hairmyres to the Reformatory at Perth or other State Reformatory.

With regard to the disposal of the child of this woman, the meeting agreed that in the event of the child not being allowed to accompany the mother, it should meantime be kept at the Reformatory.

The meeting having considered a suggestion that Mary M'Auslan should be allowed out on licence, did not think it expedient to accede to it, owing to the want of a proper guardian to take charge of her. *Case of Mary M'Auslan.*

The Clerk reported to the meeting a correspondence which he had had with the husband of Elizabeth Wilson or Adam, who had recently been discharged from the Reformatory at Hairmyres, in regard to the providing of an outfit and the payment of gratuities. The meeting approved of the Clerk's reply, which stated that the managers were under no obligation to provide his wife with an outfit, and that the gratuities earned by her would be paid in due course. *Case of Elizabeth Wilson or Adam.*

15th December, 1909. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 15th December, 1909, being a meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed under the Inebriates Acts.

Present—

William Barr.	James H. Fenton.
John P. Campbell.	Alexander Hamilton.
Walter C. B. Christie.	Col. Dennistoun Mitchell.

John D. Scott.

Attending—

Miss Dykes, Superintendent.

Chairman. Mr. William Barr, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Case of Mary Ann M'Culloch.—Removal to Perth State Inebriate Reformatory. The Clerk stated that, as instructed at last meeting, he had made application to the Secretary for Scotland for the removal of Mary Ann M'Culloch to the State Inebriate Reformatory at Perth, and that the Secretary for Scotland having granted the necessary order, she had been transferred to Perth Reformatory on 23rd ultimo.

Mary Ann M'Culloch's child. The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter which the Lady Superintendent had received from Mary Ann M'Culloch, requesting that her child be handed over to a relative.

The Clerk having submitted and read to the meeting a report by the police as to the character of the relative in question, and the Lady Superintendent having stated that so far no one had called for the child, the committee agreed that the child should meantime be kept at the reformatory, and that it be remitted to the Clerk to confer with Inspector of Poor for the Parish of East Kilbride on the matter, and to report to a future meeting.

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PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At HAMILTON, and within the County Hall, there, on Thursday, 14th October, 1909, being a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 14th October, 1909.

Present—

James H. Fenton.	John D. Scott.
George Fraser.	William Speirs.
Walter J. Grant.	James Stewart.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The Clerk submitted a remit by the County Council made at the statutory meeting held immediately prior to the meeting of the committee, in regard to the Water Rates levied by the Corporation of Glasgow in districts outwith the city. The committee, after discussion, remitted to a sub-committee, consisting of the Chairman, Robert Lambie, A. D. Mack, and William Speirs, with the Clerk, to attend any conference that might be arranged with other Authorities, and to report. — *Glasgow Water Rates in outside districts.*

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, *on Wednesday, 17th November,* 1909, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 17th November, 1909.

Present—

D. C. Barr.	Peter M. Martin.
James H. Fenton.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Fraser.	William Neilson.
William J. Grant.	John D. Scott.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	William Speirs.
Robert Lambie.	James Stewart.
A. D. Mack.	William Templeton.
William M. Marshall.	Thomas F. Wilson.

Attending—

Captain Despard, Chief Constable.
Mr. Pordage, Fire Master, Edinburgh.

(Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding). — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

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Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 6th October, 1909, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were signed by the chairman.

Remit from County Council.

The meeting having proceeded to consider the question of the establishment of a fire brigade, the Clerk submitted the minutes of the meeting of the County Council, held on 14th ultimo, containing the following remit, viz.:—

"With reference to the minutes of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, of date 6th October, relating to the proposed establishment of a fire brigade in the County, the question of the advisability of selecting Shettleston as a centre was discussed, and it was agreed to remit the matter to the Parliamentary Bills Committee for further consideration and report.

Letter from Town-Clerk, Lanark.

The Clerk submitted a letter he had received from the Town-Clerk of Lanark, of date 16th November, 1909, suggesting that the County Council and Burgh of Lanark might co-operate in establishing a fire brigade at Lanark.

The meeting resumed consideration of Mr. Pordage's report, and received explanations as to the reasons that weighed with him in selecting Shettleston, Bellshill, Larkhall, and Lanark as the most convenient centres for the establishment of brigades.

In view of the conference with the Corporation of Glasgow, they further discussed the terms on which a possible arrangement might be made with the Corporation and the bearing this would have on the scheme as outlined by Mr. Pordage.

After full discussion, during which the general opinion of the meeting was expressed as favourable to the sites of the proposed stations being as suggested by Mr. Pordage, it was decided, in view of the conference with Glasgow and the letter from the Town-Clerk of Lanark, to defer until next meeting coming to a final decision as to the selection of stations, and the Clerk was instructed to inform the Town-Clerk of Lanark that the committee would be willing to consider any proposals which his Town Council might have to make.

Housing, Town Planning, &c., Bill.

The Clerk reported that the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Bill had again been before the House of Commons for consideration of the Lords' amendments, and that the amendment inserted in the House of Lords on third reading, providing that no Local Authority should be authorised except as a constituent of a joint body specially constituted to enforce the observance or execution of a town planning scheme in respect of any land within the area of another Local Authority, unless such other Local Authority was not prepared to carry out the scheme for the area in question, had been disagreed by the Commons, and that through the Association of County Councils in Scotland he had directed the attention of the English County Councils Association, at whose instance the amendment had been inserted, to its deletion. The meeting approved of the Clerk's action.

Asylum Officers' Superannuation Bill.

The Clerk explained the provisions of the Asylum Officers' Superannuation Bill, and reported that it had been under the consideration of the Lanark District Lunacy Board, who had made representations to the Secretary for Scotland in regard to certain provisions which they considered required amendment, and that the Bill had been amended to meet the objections. The committee considered it unnecessary to take any further action in the matter.

Public Health (Scotland) Extension Bill.

The Clerk submitted a copy of the Public Health (Scotland) Extension Bill as introduced in the House of Commons, and explained its provisions. He also submitted a letter, of date 16th November, 1909, from Dr. Hill, Clerk to the Lower Ward District Committee, directing the attention of the committee to the Bill, and explaining that in the view of the District Committee they would be prejudiced by its provisions. As there appeared to be no prospect of the Bill passing this session, the meeting resolved to continue consideration thereof, but instructed the Clerk in the event of progress being made to take any steps he should consider necessary to oppose the Bill.

Cinematograph Bill.

The Clerk submitted a copy of the Cinematograph Bill as amended on third reading in the House of Lords, and explained the scope of the Bill. He also directed attention to the fact that the County Council and not the Justices of the Peace were constituted

as the Local Authority to enforce the provisions of the Bill, and that in cases where cinematograph entertainments were given in halls which required the license of the Justices of the Peace there would be a dual authority. The committee, after consideration, resolved to take no action in the matter, as the proposals of the Bill appeared to be reasonable.

Bye-laws for Wishaw Public Park.

The Clerk submitted draft proposed bye-laws for Wishaw Public Park, which he had received from the Town-Clerk, and explained that as the park was partly situated in the county area, the bye-laws required the approval of the County Council, and that they had been considered by the Chief Constable and himself, and that with the exception of certain verbal alterations they appeared to be in order. The committee resolved to recommend the County Council to approve of the bye-laws, and to remit to the Clerk to adjust the verbal alterations suggested with the Town-Clerk.

Proposed Cambuslang electric lighting extension.

The Clerk reported that, as instructed by the committee, he had served notices and inserted the necessary advertisements of the intention of the County Council to apply to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order extending the provisions of the Cambuslang Electric Lighting Order of 1903 to the areas added to the Special Lighting District of Cambuslang by resolutions of the District Committee, approved by the County Council.

8th December, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 8th December, 1909, being a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

James H. Fenton.	W. M. Marshall.
George Fraser.	Peter M. Martin.
Walter J. Grant.	John D. Scott.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Speirs.
Robert Lambie.	James Stewart.
A. D. Mack.	William Templeton.

J. C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

W. E. Whye, District Clerk.
Captain Despard, Chief Constable.

Chairman.

In the temporary absence of Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, Mr. William Speirs was called to the chair.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908.

The Clerk reported that, as instructed by the committee, he had again communicated with the Clerks to the Upper and Lower Ward District Committees, and had inquired whether the District Committees desired the County Council to adopt under Section 10 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, all or any of the sections therein mentioned of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903. He submitted a letter, dated 17th November, 1909, from the Clerk to the Upper Ward District Committee, enclosing excerpt from minute of meeting on 15th November, 1909, in the following terms:—"A letter from the County Clerk having been read, the committee had under consideration the terms of Section 10, Sub-section 2, of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, and, on

the motion of Mr. Scott, resolved to requisition the County Council, in terms of said sub-section, to adopt, within all the existing special lighting, scavenging, drainage, and water districts in the Upper Ward, Sections 144, 145, 158, and 191 to 200 (as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903) inclusive of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892."

The Clerk also submitted a letter from the Middle Ward District Clerk, dated 28th June, 1909, with relative excerpt from the minutes of the Middle Ward District Committee, which had been submitted to the committee on 4th August last, requesting the County Council to adopt these clauses within the special lighting, scavenging, and drainage districts of the Middle Ward.

The Clerk reported that he understood that the matter had been before the Lower Ward District Committee at a meeting on 6th instant, and had been remitted by them to a sub-committee to consider and report.

The committee, after consideration, resolved to recommend the County Council to adopt the provisions within the Upper and Middle Wards in terms of the requisitions of the District Committees.

Mr. Stewart having entered the meeting at this stage, Mr. Speirs vacated the chair in his favour.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 17th November, 1909, were submitted, approved, and signed by the chairman.

Proposed establishment of fire brigade. —Conference with Corporation of Glasgow.

The meeting having resumed consideration of the question of the establishment of fire brigades within the county, the chairman reported that, along with the Chief Constable and Clerk, he had attended, on 30th November last, a conference with the Fire Brigade Committee of the Corporation of Glasgow, of which Depute River Bailie M'Millan was chairman, at which the County Council of the County of Renfrew and the Eastern District Committee of the County of Dunbarton were also represented. He further reported that, after discussion, the chairman had intimated that the Corporation had resolved, as counties now had the power to form brigades of their own, to terminate the present arrangement as at 28th February next, and that after that date the Corporation brigade would attend a fire in a county area only if an arrangement had been made with the county Local Authority. He also indicated that the Corporation would not come to any arrangement for the use of their brigade within any area unless there was levied within that area a rate equivalent to the Corporation rate within the city, *i.e.*, 1¼d. per £, subject to deduction of interest and sinking fund charges on expenditure within the county area on fire hydrants; that in the event of the Corporation's brigade being called out to a county area where the County Council had established a brigade, the terms on which they would supplement the county brigade would be the recovery from the owner of the whole expense of extinguishing the fire plus a payment to them by the Local Authority of a sum equal to that recovered from the owner. It was explained that the Corporation under their special Acts were entitled to recover from owners of property one-half of the expense of extinguishing a fire, but not exceeding £15, but that the Corporation felt that these terms could not be extended to outside areas. The chairman indicated that the Corporation were open to consider proposals under which the services of their brigade might be made available in county areas for a reasonable time after 28th February until the County Council had had time to make permanent arrangements in the matter. He also indicated that the Corporation would be prepared to consider a suggestion made on behalf of this County Council, that the basis of an arrangement for supplementing county brigades might be a payment of an annual contribution for the right to call upon the Corporation for assistance, in place of payment for actual service at fires.

Remit to Clerk.

The meeting, after discussion, approved of the proposal which had been made on their behalf to the Corporation, and remitted to the Clerk to ascertain from the Corporation on what terms they would be prepared to enter into an arrangement for such supplementary services, and also on what terms they would be prepared to allow their brigade to attend fires in the county area after 28th February until the establishment of the county brigades.

Number and sites of stations.

The meeting having thereafter resumed consideration of the number and proposed sites of stations, the Clerk submitted a letter which he had received from Mr. Neilson, who was unable to attend the meeting. The committee, after full con-

sideration, resolved to report to the County Council that the most suitable sites were those suggested by Mr. Pordage, namely, Shettleston or Tollcross, Bellshill, and Larkhall, but that the question of a fourth station should be left over until it should be seen whether the Burgh of Lanark wished to co-operate, in regard to which the Clerk submitted a letter from the Town-Clerk of Lanark, dated 22nd November, 1909. *Conference with burghs.*

The meeting remitted to the Clerk to approach the other burghs in the county, and to inquire whether they would be prepared to attend a conference to discuss the question of co-operation between the county and burghs, and, in the event of favourable replies being received from the burghs, remitted to the Chairman, Convener, and Messrs. Lambie, Marshall, and Speirs to represent the committee at the conference.

The Clerk reported that the Burgh of Wishaw had given notice of their intention to apply for a Provisional Order to extend the burgh boundaries and for other purposes, including the right to be the water authority within the extended area. He also reported that he had examined the deposited plans, and indicated generally the proposals of the Order so far as could be gathered from the notice and plans. *Wishaw Burgh Extension Order.*

The meeting remitted to the Clerk to confer with the Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee, and to take any action which he might consider necessary for protecting the interests of the county.

The Clerk also submitted notice of the intention of the Corporation of Glasgow to apply for a Provisional Order to define their area of supply of gas, to divide the area into a city area and an outlying area, and to enable them to levy differential rates within the two districts and for other purposes. In this connection he submitted a letter from Dr. Hill, Clerk to the Lower Ward District Committee, of date 22nd November, 1909, directing the attention of the committee to the Order. *Glasgow Gas Consolidation Order.*

The meeting remitted to the Clerk to confer with the District Clerks, and to take such steps as he should consider necessary to conserve the interests of the county.

The Clerk further submitted notice of the intention of the Caledonian Railway Company to apply for a Provisional Order for general purposes. He explained that until he had an opportunity of examining the Order, he was not in a position to report to what extent the county's interests were affected. *Caledonian Railway Order.*

The committee remitted to the Clerk to take any steps which he might consider necessary.

The Clerk reported that the House of Lords having refused to accept the Commons' amendments, the Government had declined to proceed with the Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rating Bill, and that it had been dropped. The committee remitted to the Clerk to take steps to secure the extension of the provisions of the Bill to counties in the event of its being reintroduced. *Small Dwelling-houses in Burghs Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill.*

The Clerk having reported that the Development and Road Improvement Funds Bill had received the Royal Assent, the committee instructed him to prepare notes on the Bill, and send copies to the members of the committee. *Development and Road Improvement Funds Bill.*

The Clerk reported that the Temperance (Scotland) Bill had been dropped. *Temperance (Scotland) Bill.*

The Clerk having reported that the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Bill had received the Royal Assent, the meeting remitted to him to consider the effect of its provisions on the county, and if he should consider it necessary to prepare and issue notes thereon. *Housing, Town Planning, &c., Bill.*

The Clerk reported that the question of regulation of ice-cream shops had been before the Standing Joint-Committee of the County Councils' Association and the Convention of Burghs in connection with a conference of Burghal Authorities in Scotland, called by the Corporation of Glasgow, and that the Standing Joint-Committee had expressed their opinion that County Authorities should also be represented at the conference, and in the event of the Corporation of Glasgow agreeing, had remitted to a committee of three, of which he was one, to attend the conference. He explained that, with the approval of the committee, he proposed to attend, and to express the view that the present statutory provisions should be so amended as to make them *Regulation of ice-cream shops.*

effective or be wholly repealed, and that the only practicable way of providing powers for adequate regulation would be to confer on the Local Authority full power to regulate the days and hours of opening of all shops. The meeting, after consideration, approved of the Clerk's suggestion, and of his attending the conference.

Children Act, 1908.

The Clerk having reported the steps which he had taken by advertising and issuing of cards to Clerks to School Boards for transmission to the headmasters of schools, and through the police to all halls to secure the safety of children at entertainments, the committee approved thereof, and suggested that the cards should also be sent to ministers of all churches in the county. The Chief Constable undertook to see this done.

Places of detention.

The meeting having resumed consideration of the obligations on the County Council, under the Children Act, 1908, to provide Places of Detention, the Clerk explained that he had been in communication with the Scottish Office on this subject, and also as to their views in regard to the provision of Places of Safety, but that he had not yet received a reply. The meeting, in view of the obligations on the County Council to provide Places of Detention by 1st January next, and having considered several suggested methods by which the necessary provision might be made, remitted to the Clerk to make the best arrangements he could, and to report.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL DISTRICTS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 24th November, 1909, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed with reference to Special Districts under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894. — 24th November, 1909.

Present—

James Anderson. | Robert Lambie.
James R. Auld. | A. D. Mack.
Walter C. B. Christie. | Alexander Pillans.
Alexander Hamilton. | John D. Scott.

James Tonner.

Attending—

Dr. Hill, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, and stated that the usual public intimation of the meeting had been given in the *Glasgow Herald* newspaper, of date 17th November. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 15th September, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward, of date 8th November, transmitting a print of the minutes of a special meeting of the District Committee held on 1st November current, containing a resolution (1) forming a special lighting district for Chryston and Muirhead in the Parish of Cadder, and (2) adopting within the said special lighting district the provisions contained in Sections 99 to 105 inclusive of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892. — *Resolution of District Committee of Lower Ward forming Special Lighting District for Chryston and Muirhead.*

There was also laid before the meeting a map showing the proposed district, together with information as to the present assessments levied therein by the County Council, and also as to the estimated rate to be levied in respect of lighting. — *Map submitted.*

The Clerk having stated that no objections to the District Committee's resolution had been intimated to him, the meeting, after consideration, on the motion of Mr. Christie, and as empowered by the County Council, agreed to give, and hereby give, in terms of Sub-section 3 of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, as read along with Section 38 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, as amended, the County Council's consent to the resolution of the District Committee of the Lower Ward (1) forming a special lighting district for Chryston and Muirhead in the Parish of Cadder, all as described in the advertisement of the resolution published in the *Glasgow Herald* newspaper, of date 5th November, 1909, and as delineated upon the map submitted; and (2) adopting within the said special lighting district the provisions contained in Sections 99 to 105 inclusive of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892. — *Agreed to give Council's consent.*

The meeting instructed the Clerk to give such public intimation of this resolution as may be required by the statute. — *Public intimation of resolution.*

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY ROAD BOARD

OF THE

COUNTY OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 24th November, 1909, being a Meeting of the County Road Board of the County of Lanark. 24th November, 1909.

Present—

John Adam.	Thomas G. Cowan.
James Anderson.	Thomas Fulton.
James R. Auld.	Walter J. Grant.
William Barr.	Robert Lambie.
David J. Black.	Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Colonel Buchanan.	John D. Scott.
Walter C. B. Christie.	James Tonner.

James C. Hope Vere.

Chairman.

In the absence of Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, from whom an apology for absence was intimated, Mr. Lambie was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Board, of date 1st September last, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Addition to List of Highways.—Recommendation by Upper Ward District Committee.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a recommendation by the District Committee of the Upper Ward that the County Council be recommended to declare, in terms of Section 42 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, as amended by Section 20 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, that the following road shall be a highway within the meaning and for the purposes of the first-mentioned Act, and as such shall be added to the list of roads, highways and bridges made up under Section 41 thereof, viz. :—

Parish of Lanark—

That portion of roadway between the farms of Westtown and Carlinside, being a continuation of the West Nemphlar and Sandybrae Highway, No. 243 on the List of Highways, extending to 370 yards or thereby.

The meeting, after consideration, unanimously approved of the resolution of the District Committee, and agreed to recommend the County Council accordingly.

Lanarkshire Tramways. — Board of Trade Regulation and By-law.

There was submitted a communication from the Board of Trade, of date 22nd October, transmitting a copy of a regulation and by-law with respect to (1) the speed at which cars shall be driven, and (2) the stopping places, on the recent extension of the Lanarkshire Tramways from Hamilton to Bothwell and Uddingston.

The Clerk having stated the purport of the regulation and by-law, and having submitted a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward stating that his committee had no objections to offer, the meeting instructed the Clerk to intimate to the Board of Trade that the Road Board had no observations to make.

Spikes on locomotives. — Letter from Scottish Traction Engine Owners and Users' Association.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter which he had received from the Secretary of the Scottish Traction Engine Owners' and Users' Association regarding regulations for the use of spikes on locomotives during frosty weather, together with communications from the Clerks to the several District Committees of the County, stating the views of their respective committees in the matter, which were generally to the effect that regulations permitting the use of spikes were undesirable

Glasgow Tramways.—Complaints as to cars stopping at junction of Gartocher and Shettleston Roads.

Mr. Adam having called attention to complaints as regards cars from Glasgow stopping at the junction of Gartocher and Shettleston Roads instead of at the place indicated by the standard erected near that point, the meeting instructed the Clerk to direct the attention of the General Manager of the Tramways Department to the matter.

Letter from Motor Union re animals on highways, &c.

There was submitted a communication from the Motor Union, of date 28th September last, suggesting that a by-law should be made requiring persons, when driving sheep, &c., along the highways during the period between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise, to carry a light which shall be visible in both directions, and also that steps should be taken to minimise the risks at present existing owing to animals being allowed to stray on the roads or being out of control.

The communication was allowed to lie on the table.

Road improvements

On the recommendation of the District Committees of the Upper and Middle Wards, the Board approved of the following road improvements, viz. :—

Upper Ward.

(1) The widening of Broughton Road at Stanehead, Biggar, at an estimated cost of £20.

(2) The widening of Birthwood Road along the frontage of the new school at Coulter, at an estimated cost of £25.

Middle Ward.

(1) The widening and improvement of Maxwellton Highway between Maxwellton Village and East Kilbride, at an estimated cost of £31.

(2) The widening of Omoa and Cleland Highway at Cleland, at an estimated cost of £45.

(3) The widening and improvement of Brackenhirst Highway, New Monkland, at an estimated cost of £28.

(4) The widening and improvement of Fullwood Highway, Mossend, and others, at an estimated cost of £375.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 8th December, 1909, being a Meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. 8th December, 1909.

Present—

John Allison.
J. P. Baird.
William Barr.
Thomas G. Cowan.
Thomas Fulton.
Alexander Hamilton.
James Logan.
A. D. Mack.
Rev. C. M'Kune.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
James Prentice.
Hugh Reid.
John D. Scott.
Stuart Spence.
William Templeton.
James Young.

Attending—

D. Hamilton, V.S.

Mr. John D. Scott, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 22nd September, 1909, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There were laid before the meeting the minutes of the sub-committee, of dates 24th November and 1st December, together with minutes of a conference of the sub-committee and of representatives of the several District Committees, held on 24th November. A copy of these minutes forms Appendix I. hereto. *Proposed appointment of Veterinary Inspector.—Recommendation of sub-committee.*

There were also submitted Notes by the County Clerk on the various Acts and Orders under which veterinary work requires to be carried out by the County Council and District Committees, a copy of which forms Appendix II. hereto. *Notes of Clerk.*

After discussion, Mr. Reid moved that the recommendations contained in the minutes of the sub-committee be approved of, which was seconded by Mr. Fulton. *Mr. Reid's motion.*

Mr. Templeton moved, by way of amendment, that the salary of the Veterinary Inspector be fixed at £350 per annum, which was seconded by Mr. Hamilton. *Mr. Templeton's amendment.*

On a vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted against the amendment, which the chairman accordingly declared to be lost. *Amendment lost.*

Mr. Hamilton thereafter moved that the salary be £400, which was seconded by Mr. Sym. *Mr. Hamilton's amendment.*

On a vote having been taken by way of a show of hands as for and against this amendment, a majority voted against it, and it was accordingly declared to be lost. *Amendment lost.*

There being no further amendments, Mr. Reid's motion for the approval of the minutes was put to the meeting and agreed to. *Motion carried.*

Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907.—Notifications.

The Clerk stated that, since the date of last meeting, the number of notifications received under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907, was 30, and that of these 1 had been certified to be anthrax, the particulars of that case being as follows, viz. :—

Curlingmyres Farm, East Kilbride (Robert Young).—In this case the animal affected was a three-year-old cow, which was found dead in her stall on 1st current. On *post-mortem* examination, Mr. Hamilton, V.S., certified that death was due to anthrax. The carcase was removed to Omoa, and there destroyed. The feeding consisted of straw, turnips, and Main's improved dairy cake. There remain on the premises 28 cattle, 2 horses, and 1 dog.

Restrictions withdrawn.

The Clerk reported that the restrictions had been withdrawn in the following cases on the respective dates named, viz. :—

Cleugh Farm, Forth (Alexander Somerville) (27th September).
Corbiehall Farm, Carstairs (Wm. Fleming) (11th October).

Leaflet re *Anthrax.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter which he had received from the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, of date 26th October last, transmitting copy of a revised leaflet on the subject of anthrax, and stated that he had obtained from the Board a supply of these leaflets, which had been circulated by the police amongst stock owners in the County.

Glanders at Hayhill Farm, Gartcosh.—Compensation.

With regard to the outbreak of Glanders at Hayhill Farm, Gartcosh, amongst horses belonging to Mrs Weir, the Clerk stated that two horses had been slaughtered by the instructions of the Local Authority, viz.—one, valued at £16, which had been clinically affected and to which the mallein test had not been applied, and another, valued at £20, which had reacted to the mallein test, and that the compensation payable in respect of the first horse was one-fourth of its value, viz., £4, and in respect of the other horse one-half of its value, viz., £10.

The meeting authorised payment of these sums.

The Clerk having further stated that a third horse, valued at £11, which had been stated first above by the Veterinary Inspector to have also been clinically affected, had died on 12th May, the day following the slaughter of the horse referred to.

The meeting, after hearing a statement by the Veterinary Inspector, agreed, in view of the special circumstances of the case, to pay compensation to the extent of one-fourth of its value, namely, £2 15s. Mr. Alexander Hamilton dissented from the decision of the committee in this case.

Sheep scab at Cormiston, Biggar.

The Clerk reported an outbreak of sheep scab at Stanerickle, Cormiston, Biggar, amongst sheep belonging to Messrs. D. & J. Clark, and stated that it had been considered advisable in connection with this outbreak to place restrictions upon the movement of sheep which it was alleged had been in contact with the affected sheep, and which were grazing on the following farms, viz. :—

Clydelees, Cormiston, Biggar (Thos. Lockie).
Upper Rickle, do. (David Clarkson).
Clyde Braes, do. (Alexander Fleming).

Swine fever.—Infected places.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, the following premises had been declared swine fever infected places, viz. :—

Longrigg Farm, Longriggend (John Macdonald).
Braehead Carnwath (Robert Veitch, grocer).
Daldowie House, Broomhouse (Miss Ann M'Call).

As relative to the last-mentioned case, the Clerk reported that, as the swine in question had come from Gartloch Asylum Farm, there had also been served upon the manager of the farm Form B, imposing restrictions upon movement.

The Clerk reported that the restrictions in each of the above cases had since been withdrawn by the Board of Agriculture.

Sheep Dipping (Scotland and North of England) Order, 1907.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting informations which he had received from the police as to alleged offences committed by the following persons against the Sheep Dipping (Scotland and North of England) Order, 1907, viz. :—

I. With respect to first dipping period—

(1) Thomas Stark, Bearyards Farm, Bishopbriggs—failure to dip sheep.

(2) John Fleming, Knowetop Farm, Quarter; Robert Letham, Dalserf Farm, Dalserf; Archibald Grieve, land stewart, Viewpark, Uddingston—failure to make timeous declaration as to dipping.

II. With respect to second dipping period—

(1) Mrs. Pringle, Castlehill Farm, Carluke—failure to make timeous declaration as to dipping;

(2) Alexander Tweedie, Upper Lawhead, Tarbrax—failure to dip;

(3) Hugh Meikle, Netherkypeside, Kirkmuirhill—failure to dip.

(4) William Williamson, Belziehill Farm, Bellshill—failure to dip.

Instructions to Clerk.

The Clerk having explained the circumstances in each of the above cases, the meeting instructed him to send the information in the case of Thomas Stark to the Procurator Fiscal, with a view to proceedings being taken

With regard to the cases of (1) Alexander Tweedie, (2) Hugh Meikle, and (3) William Williamson, the Clerk was instructed to warn them against a repetition of the offence.

Statement as to number of dippings, &c.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting statements (Appendices III. and IV.) containing information as to the number of dippings which had taken place under the Sheep Dipping (Scotland and North of England) Order, 1907, during the current year.

Meat inspection.—Communication submitted.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following communications which he had received on the subject of meat inspection, viz. :—

(1) Association of Veterinary Officers of Health, dated 13th November, 1909, representing the advisability of adopting some uniform method of inspection and standard of adjudication applicable to all injurious or dangerous conditions occurring in carcases of animals used for human consumption, &c.

(2) The Corporation of Glasgow, requesting the co-operation of the County Authorities in securing a uniform system or standard in the matter of meat inspection.

Appointment of sub-committee.

The meeting, after consideration, and the Clerk having stated that the Public Health Committee of the County Council had at a recent meeting appointed a sub-committee to confer with the District Committees in the matter, appointed the following members to represent them at any conference of County Authorities which might be called to consider the question, viz. :—

J. P. Baird. Alexander Hamilton.
Thomas Fulton. James Logan.
A. D. Mack.

Special cart for conveying diseased carcases.

The Clerk having stated that a suggestion had been made by the Board of Agriculture as to the advisability of this Local Authority procuring a cart specially constructed for the conveyance of diseased carcases, so as to prevent any possible risk of the spilling of blood, the meeting remitted to the Clerk to obtain estimates for a suitable vehicle, and authorised the chairman to consider the same when received and accept an offer.

Tuberculosis Order, 1909. — Postponement of date of operation.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, of date 24th September last, transmitting an Order by the Board postponing until 1st April next the date of the operation of the Tuberculosis Order of 1909.

Communication from other counties on subject of Order.

As relative to that Order, he submitted communications which he had received from the Counties of Inverness, Renfrew, Banff, and Bute, representing that it was inexpedient that the Order should come into operation until the question of compensation had been satisfactorily dealt with.

Conveyance of Horses Order, 1909.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a copy of the Conveyance of Horses Order, 1909, and stated that the Order had been published in the *Glasgow Herald* at the joint expense of the Local Authorities of the City of Glasgow, this County, and others, and the meeting approved.

Account.

The Clerk submitted an account from Mr. Jarvie, V.S., for fees and expenses from 17th May to 6th November, 1909, amounting to £50 1s. 6d., which was passed for payment.

APPENDIX I.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 24th November, 1909, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark, as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts, appointed in connection with the proposed appointment of a Veterinary Inspector. 24th November, 1909.

Present—

George Green.	Hugh Reid.
James Prentice.	John D. Scott.

Mr. John D. Scott, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk stated that, after consultation with the chairman of the committee, he had called this meeting in view of the conference which had been fixed for the same day between the sub-committee and representatives of the several District Committees of the County. *Statement by Clerk.*

He reminded the meeting of the remit to the sub-committee, as contained in the minutes of the Executive Committee, of date 22nd September last, and which was as follows:— *Remit.*

"The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a letter which he had received from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, which was as follows, viz.:—

'District Offices,
'Hamilton, 5th August, 1909.

'Dear Sir,

'PUBLIC HEALTH.

'MILK AND DAIRIES (SCOTLAND) BILL.

'TUBERCULOSIS ORDER OF 1909.

'The District Committee have had under consideration a memorandum prepared by the Medical Officer of Health on the above Bill and Order, and in view of a suggestion contained therein that "probably the objects of the Bill and of the Order could best be attained by the appointment of a permanent veterinary officer, whose services would be available throughout the whole country," they were of opinion that it would be desirable that a sub-committee should confer with the Executive Committee of the County Council regarding the desirability of making such an appointment, and

generally on questions of joint interest affecting both authorities under the Bill and Order. They accordingly appointed the following sub-committee on their behalf, and I shall be glad to hear that it can be arranged to confer on the subject as proposed, namely:—

Mr. Burns.	Mr. Love.
Mr. Fraser.	Mr. Neilson.
Mr. Barns Graham.	Mr. Prentice.
Mr. Lambie.	Mr. Strang.

'Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) 'W. E. WHYTE.

'Thomas Munro, Esq.,
'County Clerk,
'Hamilton.'

The meeting, after consideration, and on the motion of Mr. Hugh Reid, seconded by Mr. Templeton, unanimously agreed to recommend that a Veterinary Inspector for the County should be appointed whose services might be available to the several District Committees in connection with Public Health administration, and remitted to the following sub-committee to consider as to the salary and the terms upon which the services of the Veterinary Inspector might be made available to the District Committee, and to report, viz.:—

George Green.	James Prentice.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.	Hugh Reid.

John D. Scott."

Communication with District Committees re conference.

The Clerk further stated that he had, following upon the discussion at the statutory meeting of the County Council, and assuming that it would meet with the approval of the sub-committee, communicated with the District Committee with a view to a conference being held on the subject of the remit, and that as each of the District Committees had expressed their desire to attend such a conference, it had accordingly been arranged. The meeting approved of the Clerk's action, and agreed that the members present should attend the conference.

1st December 1909

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 1st December, 1909, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark, as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts, appointed in connection with the Proposed Appointment of a Veterinary Inspector.

Present—

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.	Hugh Reid.
James Prentice.	John D. Scott.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Chairman.

Mr. John D. Scott, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Apology.

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr. George Green.

Minutes of conference.

The Clerk submitted and read the minutes of the conference of representatives of the Executive Committee and of the several District Committees of the County, held on 24th ultimo, a copy of which forms an appendix to this minute.

Recommendation of Sub-Committee as to appointment of Veterinary Inepector. and recommendation, &c.

The meeting, after full consideration, unanimously agreed to recommend the Executive Committee that, with a view to securing the services of a Veterinary Surgeon of standing with the knowledge and experience which would enable him efficiently to discharge the responsible duties under the Diseases of Animals Acts and the Public Health Acts, should the District Committees agree to appoint him as an officer under the latter Acts, the remuneration of the office should be fixed at from £450 to £500, with reasonable travelling expenses.

It was further agreed that it be a condition of the appointment that the Veterinary Inspector shall, if and when required by all or any of the District Committees, perform the duties of Veterinary Inspector under the Public Health Acts or any other Acts or Orders falling to be administered by them.

Question of allocation of expense amongst the various authorities.

With regard to the question of the allocation of the expense as between the County Council and the District Committees, should the latter decide to take advantage of the services of the Inspector appointed, the sub-committee recommend that the Executive Committee should agree to pay at least £500, and that the remainder, which would be made up of the travelling expenses and the cost of any temporary professional assistance required in connection with the examination of dairy herds, should be allocated amongst the District Committees according to one or other of the following methods as may be considered the most equitable, viz.:— (1) valuation, (2) number of cows examined, or (3) time occupied.

The sub-committee were satisfied that if this arrangement were carried out, and if the District Committees agreed to take advantage of the services of the Inspector, the cost to each Local Authority might be expected not to exceed the respective amounts which the District Committees paid for work done during the year from 15th May, 1908, to 15th May, 1909.

Instruction to Clerk to prepare notes.

The meeting instructed the Clerk to prepare, for the information of the members of the committee and of the County Council, notes on the provisions of the Diseases of Animals Acts and Public Health Acts so far as relating to veterinary work.

APPENDIX.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

CONFERENCE *RE* PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

24th November, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 24th November, 1909, being a Conference of representatives of the Executive Committee of the County Council and of the several District Committees of the County on the question of the proposed appointment of a Veterinary Inspector.

Present—

(1) As representing the Executive Committee of the County Council—

GEORGE GREEN. | HUGH REID.
JAMES PRENTICE. | JOHN D. SCOTT.

(2) As representing the Upper Ward District Committee—

J. P. BAIRD. | Rev. C. M'KUNE.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

(3) As representing the Middle Ward District Committee—

JOHN C. BURNS. | ROBERT LAMBIE.
GEORGE FRASER. | JAMES PRENTICE.
WILLIAM STRANG.

(4) As representing the Lower Ward District Committee—

WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE. | THOMAS FULTON.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.

Attending—

Dr. WILSON, County Medical Officer.
A. W. PATERSON, Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward.
W. E. WHYTE, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
JOHN C. KENNEDY, as representing Dr. Hill, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.

Chairman. On the motion of Mr. Green, Mr. John D. Scott was unanimously appointed chairman of the conference.

Remit. The Clerk laid before the meeting the minutes of the Executive Committee, of date 22nd September last, containing the remit to the Sub-Committee, which had been approved by the County Council.

Chairman explains reasons for the proposed appointment.

The chairman stated that in 1901 the Executive Committee under the Diseases of Animals Acts had proposed that a Veterinary Inspector should be appointed, whose services would also be made available to the District Committees in connection with public health administration, but that, for reasons which he explained, the proposal was not given effect to. Since then, however, the work in connection with diseases of animals had, in consequence of intervening legislation, and especially of the operation of the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907, so greatly increased that in the opinion of the Executive Committee it was expedient in the interests both of efficiency and economy that the appointment of a whole time officer should now be made. While the County Council had approved of the recommendation of the Executive Committee, they agreed that before proceeding to make the appointment an effort should be made with a view to an arrangement with the District Committees, and that it was with this object the conference had been called.

Statement submitted showing fees and expenses paid to Veterinary Inspectors during year.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a statement of the fees and expenses paid to Veterinary Inspectors by the County Council and District Committees for work done during the year from 15th May, 1908, to 15th May, 1909, which was as follows:—

(1) By Executive Committee of County Council as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts, ...	£510	9	5
(2) By District Committee of Upper Ward, ...	73	3	11
(3) By District Committee of Middle Ward, ...	208	6	6
(4) By District Committee of Lower Ward, ...	22	7	7
	£814	7	5

Letter from Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.

The Clerk read to the meeting the letter received from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward intimating the appointment of representatives to attend this conference, in which he stated that his Committee "considered that the salary to be paid for such an appointment, if decided on, should not exceed £300 per annum."

Authorities unanimous as to desirability of such an appointment.

The chairman having stated that the question of the remuneration of the Veterinary Inspector and of the terms and conditions upon which his services might be made available to the several District Committees had not yet been discussed by the Executive Committee, he suggested that the meeting should, apart from these questions, consider as to the advisability of making such an appointment. After discussion, the representatives of the several authorities unanimously expressed the opinion that such an appointment was desirable, provided that the Veterinary Inspector should, as regards Public Health administration, be under the direction of the County Medical Officer.

Conference adjourned.

The conference thereafter adjourned on the understanding that the Executive Committee would consider and report as to the expense involved in such an appointment, and the proportion in which it should be borne by the individual authorities.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

NOTES ON THE VARIOUS ACTS AND ORDERS UNDER WHICH VETERINARY WORK REQUIRES TO BE CARRIED OUT BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND DISTRICT COMMITTEES.

Diseases of Animals Acts.

The duties of the County Council as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts fall to be discharged by their Executive Committee.

It is unnecessary to enumerate the various Acts and Orders with which this Committee have to deal, but the following may be mentioned, viz. :—

Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903.
Dogs Act, 1871 and 1906.
Anthrax Order, 1899.
Foot and Mouth Disease Order, 1895.
Glanders or Farcy Order, 1907.
Pleuro Pneumonia, 1895.
Rabies Order, 1897.
Sheep Scab Order, 1895.
Swine Fever Order, 1908.
Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907.

Under the Diseases of Animals Acts the Local Authority is required to appoint one or more Veterinary Inspectors upon whom the Acts and relative Orders confer important powers and duties for the exercise and discharge of which the Inspector is directly responsible to the Local Authority, but whose appointment and dismissal are in the hands of the Local Authority, subject, however, to this reservation, that the Board of Agriculture, on being satisfied on enquiry that an Inspector is incompetent, or has been guilty of misconduct or neglect, may, if they think fit, direct his removal.

While this County has fortunately for many years been free from any serious outbreak of disease amongst animals, the veterinary work has greatly increased, especially since the last-mentioned Order came into operation.

In the nature of things it is obvious that, while the general extent of the work falling on the Veterinary Inspector can be fairly estimated, there is always the possibility of that work being immensely increased on the occasion of disease arising in an epidemic form.

The Lanarkshire Order, which provides for the notification by stock owners of cases of sudden illness amongst their stock, was made by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries only after repeated and urgent representations, and the result of its operation has proved of great advantage in the early detection and prevention of anthrax and other diseases amongst animals.

During the two years subsequent to the Order coming into force 450 cases were, in terms of it, reported to the Local Authority, and these, with few exceptions, involved a visit and examination by one or other of the Local Authority's Veterinary Inspectors.

During the two years prior to the Order coming into force 21 cases of anthrax were reported, while during the two years following the date of its coming into operation 53 cases of anthrax were detected.

Although the primary object of the Order is to assist in the detention and prevention of the spread of Anthrax, it has undoubtedly been effective in preventing diseased carcases being exposed and sold for human consumption.

The satisfactory results attained under the Order are fully appreciated by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, who have directed the attention of other Local Authorities in England and Scotland to its satisfactory operation, and the Board of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland have also been in communication with the Executive Committee on the subject of it.

Since 1889, when the County Council was instituted, the work of Veterinary Inspection under the Diseases of Animals Acts has been carried out by the employment of Veterinary Surgeons who are engaged in private practice.

At the present time the County is, for the purposes of the Diseases of Animals Acts, divided into three Districts, for each of which the Executive Committee have appointed one Veterinary Inspector, viz. :—

(1) Upper Ward (Northern District), ... John Jarvie, V.S., Carluke.
(2) Do. (Southern District), ... W. W. M'Quat, V.S., Biggar.
(3) Middle and Lower Wards, ... D. Hamilton, V.S., Hamilton.

The two Inspectors first named are paid the usual professional fees, while the remuneration of Mr. Hamilton is regulated by the scale which forms an appendix to these Notes.

The total amount of fees and expenses paid in respect of Veterinary work during the year from 15th May, 1908, to 15th May, 1909, amounted to £510 9s. 5d.

In 1901 the Executive Committee very carefully considered the question of the appointment of a whole time Veterinary Inspector, whose services might also be made available to the several District Committees in connection with the administration of the Public Health Acts, but owing to the fact that all of the District Committees did not at that time feel in a position to fall in with the suggested arrangement, the Committee did not think it expedient to proceed to make an appointment.

Public Health Act, 1897.

The only provisions of this Act which call for reference are contained in Sections 43 and 60.

Section 43, which deals with the question of the inspection and destruction of unsound meat, &c., provides that "any Veterinary Surgeon approved for the purposes of this section by the Local Authority" may enter premises for the purpose of inspection or examination, &c.

It is believed that in each of the three districts of this County the enforcement of the provisions of this section has been carried out by the Sanitary Inspectors under the direction of the County Medical Officer, and that only in one or two cases has it been necessary to call in the aid of a Veterinary Surgeon.

Section 60, which deals with the question of the inspection of dairies and power to prohibit a supply of milk, provides that the Medical Officer shall, "if accompanied by a Veterinary Surgeon approved," examine the animals in any dairy from which it is suspected there is being supplied milk to which may be attributed the outbreak of any infectious disease.

The enforcement of the provisions of the above sections have not hitherto entailed more than the occasional employment of a Veterinary Surgeon.

Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops Orders.

Under the Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops Order of 1885, a Local Authority (*i.e.*, a District Committee) are authorised to make Regulations for, amongst other purposes, "the inspection of cattle in dairies," with a view to the detection of disease, and by the amending Order of 1899 the term "disease" now includes "such disease of the udder as shall be certified by a Veterinary Surgeon to be tubercular."

While neither the Public Health Acts nor the Dairies, &c., Orders require a Local Authority to make anything in the nature of a systematic inspection of dairy herds, such inspection has for several years past been carried out by the District Committees of this County, and in this connection much good work has been done.

The following is a note of the fees and expenses paid by the several District Committees for veterinary work done during the year from 15th May, 1908, to 15th May, 1909, viz. :—

(1) By District Committee of Upper Ward, ...	£73	3	11
(2) By District Committee of Middle Ward, ...	208	6	6
(3) By District Committee of Lower Ward,	22	7	7
	£303	18	0

With regard to prospective legislation involving veterinary inspection, reference may be made to—

The Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, 1909, and
The Tuberculosis Order, 1909.

In the beginning of the present session of Parliament there was introduced the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, which provided for the inspection by a Veterinary Surgeon of dairy herds at least once in every year with a view to the detection of tuberculosis and other diseases.

The Bill, in short, proposed to give legislative effect to the measures which each of the District Committees of this County have for several years voluntarily undertaken and carried out, and to make it compulsory on the Local Authorities to appoint a Veterinary Inspector, who, in a county the size of Lanarkshire, would doubtless require to be a whole time officer.

Simultaneously with the introduction of this Bill there was issued by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries the Tuberculosis Order of 1909, which, in effect, provided that tuberculosis of the udder and emaciation from tuberculosis should be brought under the provisions of the Diseases of Animals Acts.

The Bill and Order were looked upon as parts of one policy, and as the former, owing to opposition, was not proceeded with, the original date fixed for the Order coming into operation has been postponed until 1st April, and there is a probability that, failing early legislation on the lines of the Bill, the date of the commencement of the Order will be further postponed.

Under the Bill it fell to District Committees as the Local Authorities under the Public Health Act to arrange for the veterinary inspection of dairy herds, while under the Order it fell to the County Council or its Executive Committee as the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts to cause veterinary inspection to be made in cases of tuberculosis or suspected tuberculosis notified to them.

The veterinary work to be performed under the Bill and Order seemed to be co-related in such a manner as to call for the appointment by the County Council and the District Committees of the same Veterinary Inspector or Inspectors in order to ensure efficiency and prevent overlapping.

This view was taken both by the County Clerk and the County Medical Officer, as set forth in the Notes prepared by them on the Bill and Order, which was submitted as an appendix to the minutes of the Joint Sub-Committee appointed in connection with the Bill and Order to the County Council at their Statutory Meeting, held on 14th October last. The following extracts from these Notes may be given, viz. :—

Extract from Notes by the County Clerk.

"Appointment of Veterinary Inspector.—If the Bill passes, the carrying out of its provisions and of those of the relative Tuberculosis Order will, in a county such as Lanarkshire, call for the appointment of a Veterinary Surgeon, who will require to devote his whole time to the duties. As matters stand, separate appointments might be made by the County Council and the several District Committees acting in their respective capacities as Local Authorities under the Diseases of Animals Acts and the Public Health Acts respectively. This might lead to overlapping of duties, greater expense, and less efficiency. It is, therefore, suggested that the principle applying to the appointment of County Medical Officers of Health and County Sanitary Inspectors under the Local Government Act, 1889, should apply. In that event, the County Council would appoint a Veterinary Inspector for the whole county, whose services the District Committees could command if they so desire. The expense would, in such a case, be apportioned to the several assessment accounts liable therein in due proportion."

Extract from Notes by County Medical Officer.

"The procedure to be followed in administering the Tuberculosis Order of 1909 seems to suggest the need of co-operation between the District Committees, as Local Authority under the Public Health Act, and the Executive Committee of the County Council, as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. Probably the objects of the Bill and of the Order above referred to could best be attained by the appointment of a permanent veterinary officer, whose services would be available throughout the whole county. He would be able to make an annual inspection of all the dairy herds with an assistant during the seven months of the year, when dairy cows are mostly indoors. It will be remembered that a suggestion of this kind was made in my Annual Report for 1896, page 129, when reporting upon tuberculosis. Again, in a report dated 5th October, 1901, which was submitted to the Executive Committee and representatives of the District Committees. In connection with these reports, the members of the Upper and Lower Ward Committees agreed to such an appointment being made, but the Middle Ward District Committee delayed the matter. The experience gained since then will no doubt enable the District Committees to make definite proposals to the County Council, as they now know the actual cost of dairy herd inspections."

It is believed that the several District Committees approved generally of the views expressed in the above extracts.

APPENDIX.

SCALE OF FEES REFERRED TO IN ABOVE NOTES.

Retaining fee, ...	£52	10	0
Each visit within 5 miles radius of Hamilton, ...	0	10	6
For each additional mile over 5 miles, ...	0	1	6
For each *post-mortem* examination over and above fees, ...	0	10	6
(Not more than 1½ guineas to be paid in respect of any one visit, including *post-mortem* examination.)			
For inoculation with mallein, or other inoculating agent, per animal, ...	0	2	6
(To include mallein, &c.)			
For supervision of cremation of carcases, when employed—per hour occupied, ...	0	7	6
For attendance at meetings of committee (unless time occupied exceeds four hours, in which event £1 1s. may be charged),	0	10	6
For travelling and other incidental expenses, ...	5	0	0
(Otherwise fees to be inclusive.)			
(Fees will also cover reports in cases of disease.)			

APPENDIX III.

LANARKSHIRE CONSTABULARY.

SHEEP DIPPING (SCOTLAND AND NORTH OF ENGLAND) ORDER OF 1907.

Number of Dippings for period ending 31st August, 1909.	Number of Sheep Dipped.	Number of Dippings attended by Inspector of Local Authority.	Number of Dippings attended by the Police.	District.
195	31,338	7	127	Hamilton.
69	8,701	Nil.	41	Wishaw.
680	217,528	Nil.	434	Lanark.
36	4,715	Nil.	35	Airdrie.
22	1,699	Nil	16	Lower Ward.
1,002	263,981	7	653	Total.

(Signed) H. J. DESPARD, Captain,
Chief Constable.

APPENDIX IV.

LANARKSHIRE CONSTABULARY.

SHEEP DIPPING (SCOTLAND AND NORTH OF ENGLAND) ORDER OF 1907.

Number of Dippings for period ending 31st August, 1909.	Number of Sheep Dipped.	Number of Dippings attended by Inspector of Local Authority.	Number of Dippings attended by the Police.	District.
238	26,810	9	147	Hamilton.
71	10,075	5	63	Wishaw.
802	193,321	1	495	Lanark.
47	6,131	1	44	Airdrie.
30	2,332	—	28	Lower Ward.
1,188	238,669	16	777	

15th December, 1909.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 15th December, 1909, being a Conference of Representatives of the Executive Committee of the County Council and of the several District Committees of the County on the question of the proposed appointment of a Veterinary Inspector.

Present—

(1) As representing the Executive Committee of the County Council—

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.	Hugh Reid.
James Prentice.	John D. Scott.

(2) As representing the Upper Ward District Committee—

John Allison.	J. P. Baird.
	Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.

(3) As representing the Middle Ward District Committee—

J. C. Burns.	William Love.
George Fraser.	William Neilson.
Robert Lambie.	William Strang.

(4) As representing the Lower Ward District Committee—

Walter C. B. Christie.	William Speirs.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward.

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

John G. Kennedy, as representing Dr. Hill, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.

Chairman.

On the motion of Mr. Speirs, Mr. John D. Scott was appointed chairman of the conference.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Various documents submitted.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the following documents, prints of which had been sent to each representative of the Executive Committee and the several District Committees appointed to attend the conference, viz. :—

(1) Excerpt from minutes of meeting of the Executive Committee, of date 8th December;

(2) Minutes of the Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee, of dates 24th November and 1st December;

(3) Minutes of Conference, of date 24th November; and

(4) Notes by County Clerk on the various Acts and Orders under which veterinary work requires to be carried out by the County Council and District Committees.

Chairman explains that Executive Committee's proposals will be submitted to County Council.

The chairman stated that the minutes of the Executive Committee containing their proposals would be submitted to the meeting of the County Council, to be held on 21st current, and that, while the Executive Committee had, under the statute, full power to make the appointment, they did not propose to exercise this power until the matter had been submitted to the Council.

After discussion, conference terminates.

After full discussion of the proposals of the Executive Committee, the conference terminated.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK

EXPLOSIVES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 15th December, 1909, being a meeting of the Explosives Committee of the County of Lanark appointed for the Lower Ward. 15th December, 1909.

Present—

William Davie.	Lawrence Maxton.
John M'Feat.	John Stewart.

Mr. Lawrence Maxton was appointed chairman of the committee, and the quorum was fixed at two. *Chairman.*

The Clerk having stated that, as Mr. William Cooke, Superintendent of Police, who was also Inspector under the Explosives Acts for the Glasgow Justice of Peace District, had retired from the Police Force on 15th August, 1909, it would be necessary that the committee should appoint an Inspector under these Acts in his stead. The meeting appointed Superintendent M. Martin, and agreed that, as in the other districts of the county, an allowance of £15 per annum be paid to him. *Appointment of successor to Superintendent Cooke.* *Superintendent Martin appointed.*

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Chambers, there, upon Friday, 26th November, 1909 years, at 2.15 p.m., being a Meeting of the Committee on Explosives of the County Council of Lanark appointed for the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward of said County. 26th November, 1909.

Explosives Committee.

Present—

Duncan C. Barr, Esq.	James Scott, Esq.
William Barr, Esq.	George Stalker, Esq.
John Jackson, Esq.	James Tonner, Esq.

Mr. Scott in the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of meeting of committee held on 20th October, 1909, were submitted, approved, and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The applications by Curtis's & Harvey, Limited, manufacturers of explosives, 3 Gracechurch Street, London, E.C., for the Assent of the Local Authority to (1) the establishment of a magazine for explosives at Dechmont Hill, in the Parish of Cambuslang; and (2) the Home Office license, No. 360, dated 23rd January, 1903, now in force with respect to a magazine at Dechmont Hill, in the Parish of Cambuslang, being amended according to the terms specified in the draft amending license accompanying said application, were submitted to the meeting. *Magazine licenses.*

The Clerk stated that notices of the applications and of the diet of hearing same had been duly published, as directed at last meeting, and that no objections had been lodged. Copies of the "Glasgow Herald," "Hamilton Advertiser," "Lanarkshire," and "Cambuslang Advertiser" newspapers, each dated 23rd October, 1909, and containing the advertisements referred to, were produced by the Clerk.

There were also submitted to the meeting the Assents by the Secretary of State, with the draft license and amending license respectively, and whole relative papers.

The committee, having considered the application for Assent to the amending license, along with report by Superintendent Anderson, Inspector of Explosives, Hamilton, and whole productions, and having heard the applicants' representative thereon, granted the application. The Local Authority's Assent to said Home Office license being amended in terms of said draft amending license, was endorsed by the Clerk on the draft amending license, and signed by the Chairman.

With reference to the application for Assent to the establishment of a new magazine, the committee considered same and Superintendent Anderson's report, along with relative productions, and, having ascertained from applicants' representative that applicants had not obtained the consent in writing of the occupiers of dwelling-houses within the prescribed radius of 850 yards, the committee resolved to adjourn the meeting until Friday, 3rd December, at one o'clock afternoon, for further consideration of the application, and for production by the applicants of the necessary consents.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Chambers, there, upon Friday, 3rd December, 1909 years, at one o'clock p.m., being an adjourned Meeting of the Committee on Explosives of the County Council of Lanark appointed for the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward of said County. 3rd December, 1909.

Explosives Committee.

Present—

WILLIAM BARR, Esq. | W. L. DYER, Esq.
GEORGE STALKER, Esq.

Chairman.

In the absence of Mr. Scott, Chairman (from whom an apology for absence was intimated), Mr. Barr was appointed Chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting.

Magazine license.

Consideration was resumed of the application by Curtis's & Harvey, Ltd., manufacturers of explosives, 3 Gracechurch Street, London, E.C., for the assent of the Local Authority to the establishment of a magazine for explosives at Dechmont Hill, in the Parish of Cambuslang.

The Clerk read a police report which had been handed to him by Superintendent Anderson prior to the commencement of the meeting, relating to an explosion which had taken place on 23rd December, 1908, on the site of the proposed magazine, caused by one of applicants' employees destroying some useless compressed powder. The applicants' representative (Mr. Ferrier) was called into the meeting, and he produced the consents in writing of the occupiers of Bankend and Gilbertfield Farm, reported to be the only dwelling-houses within a radius of 850 yards of the site of the proposed magazine. The Chairman warned Mr. Ferrier against a repetition of the destruction of useless explosives in the vicinity of the magazine.

After consideration of the application, with Superintendent Anderson's report thereon and whole productions, the committee resolved to grant assent to the establishment of the magazine, subject to the erection of a mound to screen Gilbertfield Farm, the Rifle Range, and Bankend House. The Local Authority's assent was endorsed on the draft license produced with said application and signed by the Chairman.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,

Hamilton, 19*th November*, 1909.

Sir,

In terms of the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, the Electric Lighting (Scotland) Act, 1890, and the Electric Lighting (Scotland) Act, 1892 (Electric Lighting Act, 1882, Section 3 (6)), I am to intimate that a Special Meeting of the County Council of this County will be held within Jury Court No. 2, Sheriff Court Buildings (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), Glasgow, *on Tuesday, 21st proximo, at Two o'clock p.m.*, or immediately after the Statutory Meeting of the Council to be held on the same day, for the purpose of approving, if so resolved, of application being made by the County Council to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order under the said Electric Lighting Acts, in respect of an extension of the area of supply under the Cambuslang Electric Lighting Order, 1903, so as to include so much of the Special Lighting District of Cambuslang as now existing as is not included in the area of supply under that Order.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

NOTE.

In order to comply with the requirements of the Statute in connection with opposition to Provisional Orders or Private Bills, it is necessary that an **absolute majority** of the whole number of the Council should be present at the Meeting, and I am therefore to express the hope that as many members of the Council as possible will find it convenient to attend.

T. M.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, 26th February, 1910.

SIR,

I am to request your attendance at a Special Meeting of the County Council of Lanark, to be held in the Jury Court No. 2, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), on Wednesday, 9th March, 1910, at Half-past One o'clock afternoon, for the purpose of considering the following Provisional Orders or Private Bills (Scottish Office), viz.:—

(1) *Wishaw Burgh Extension, &c.*—to extend the boundaries of the Burgh of Wishaw; to authorise the Provost, Magistrates, and Councillors of the said Burgh to construct and maintain Sewers and Sewage Purification Works; to acquire Lands for Sewage Purification; and for other purposes:

(2) *Glasgow Gas Consolidation*—to consolidate with Amendments the Glasgow Gas Acts, 1869 to 1909; and for other purposes: and

(3) *Caledonian Railway*—to confer further powers on the Caledonian Railway Company in relation to their Undertaking; to extend the periods for the completion of Railways and other Works and for the purchase of Lands; to authorise the abandonment of certain Branch Railways; and for other purposes.

I am also directed to intimate that the County Council, as governing body, may resolve, if so agreed, to oppose the above-named Provisional Orders or Private Bills, or any of them, of all which notice is hereby given, in terms of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, and of the Act 35 and 36 Vict., cap. 91.

Prints of the minutes of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, relative to the above-named Orders or Bills, will be sent to you before the date of meeting.

The meeting will also be asked to consider the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1909, and if so advised to appoint a committee to consider and deal with applications for licences under the Act, and to remit to them the full powers of the Council under the Act.

There will also be submitted to the meeting a requisition by the District Committee of the Lower Ward to adopt, within the Special Lighting, Scavenging, Drainage, and Water Districts in the Lower Ward, as therein particularly specified, Sections 144, 145, 158, and 191 to 200, inclusive of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892 (as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903), and the meeting may, by resolution, give effect to these recommendations.

The meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am,

SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

JURY COURT ROOM No. 2,

COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW

(ENTRANCE BY 40 WILSON STREET),

On WEDNESDAY, 9th MARCH, 1910,

AT HALF-PAST ONE O'CLOCK AFTERNOON.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.

2. Sederunt to be taken.

3. Notice of Meeting to be read.

   Submit newspaper containing public notice.

4. Minutes of following Committee to be submitted :—

   Parliamentary Bills Committee, of date 9th February, 1910.

5. Submit Petitions against the following Provisional Orders or Private Bills :—

   (1) Wishaw Burgh Extension, &c.
   (2) Glasgow Gas Consolidation.
   (3) Caledonian Railway.

6. If so agreed, approve of Minutes, and resolve to oppose the above named Provisional Orders or Private Bills.

7. Cinematograph Act, 1909—

   If so agreed, appoint a Committee to consider and deal with applications for licences under the Act, and remit to them the full powers of the Council under the Act.

8. Requisition by the District Committee of the Lower Ward to adopt, within the Special Lighting, Scavenging, Drainage, and Water Districts in the Lower Ward, as therein particularly specified, Sections 144, 145, 158, and 191 to 200 inclusive of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892 (as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903).

   If so agreed, give effect to recommendation.

County Council of Lanark.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, 7th May, 1910.

SIR,

I am directed by the Convener of the County to request your attendance at a Special General Meeting of the County Council to be held in the County Hall, Lanark, on Thursday next, 12th current, at Twelve o'clock noon, for the purpose of resolving upon and adjusting humble and dutiful addresses to **His Majesty The King** and the **Queen Alexandra**, expressive of the deep grief of the Council and the County on the death of King Edward; of their deep appreciation of all he has been to, and done for, the Nation; and of their heartfelt sympathy with His Majesty, the Queen Alexandra, and all the Royal Family on their irreparable loss; and also of offering to His Majesty the expression of the loyal and dutiful devotion of the Council to His Majesty's person and Crown and Government.

I am,

SIR,

Your obedient servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK

County Offices,
Hamilton, *3rd May, 1910.*

Sir,

I am to intimate that the Statutory May Meeting of the County Council will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, on Thursday, 12th current, at Twelve o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving and disposing of the Minutes and Reports of Committees, and any communications from the District Committees, and of appointing Committees, Commissions, and Boards, so far as these fall to be then appointed.

The meeting may, if so resolved, proceed, in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, to fill up the vacancy in the representation of North New Monkland Electoral Division on the County Council caused by the death of Mr. John Watt.

The meeting may, if so agreed, appoint a Returning Officer for the Elections of the County Council and the Parish Councils, which will take place next December.

Prints of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council held on 21st December, 1909, and of the Special Meetings held on 21st December, 1909, and 9th March last, are sent herewith.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

P.S.—A Meeting of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County, will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, immediately after the Meeting of the Commissioners of Supply of the County, which is to be held on the same day, at Two o'clock p.m., for the appointment of a Chairman and Sub-Committees, and the transaction of other business.

County Council of Lanark.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, *7th May, 1910.*

Sir,

I am directed by the Convener of the County to state that the hour of the Statutory General Meeting of the County Council to be held at Lanark on Thursday next, 12th current, has been postponed from 12 o'clock to 12.15 o'clock.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

COUNTY HALL, LANARK,

On THURSDAY, 12th MAY, 1910,

AT TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.

2. Sederunt to be taken.

3. Statutory Authority for and Notice of Meeting to be read.

4. Minutes of Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 21st December, 1909.

5. Minutes of Special Meetings of the Council, held on 21st December, 1909, and 9th March, 1910.

6. If so agreed, fill up vacancy in the representation of North New Monkland Electoral Division caused by the death of Mr. John Watt.

   Petitions by Electors in North New Monkland Electoral Division nominating Mr. Thomas Watt, of Drumgray.

7. Report of Consent by the Standing Joint-Committee.

8. Fifth Annual Report on Inebriate Reformatory at Hairmyres.

9. Report by Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

10. Reports of County Analyst under Food and Drugs Acts for quarters ending 31st December, 1909, and 31st March, 1910.

11. Reports of Analysts under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Acts for quarters ending 31st December, 1909, and 31st March, 1910.

12. Return of Expenses of Deputations, &c., for 1909.

13. Report by County Medical Officer for 1909 to be submitted in draft.

14. Reports by District Sanitary Inspectors for 1909—

    (1) Upper Ward.
    (2) Middle Ward (submitted in draft).
    (3) Lower Ward.

15. Minutes of following Committees—

(1) Executive Committee, of dates 29th December, 1909, and 16th February, 1910.

Sub-Committee *re* Veterinary Inspectorship, of dates 26th January, 9th and 30th March, 1910.

Conference with District Committees *re* Veterinary Inspectorship, of dates 26th January, 9th March, 20th April, 4th and 6th May, 1910.

(2) Finance Committee, of dates 5th January, 2nd February, 2nd March, 6th April, and 4th May, 1910.

Resolutions to borrow the following monies, viz. :—

(*a*) £40 0s. 6d., being excess capital expenditure in connection with alterations and additions at Hairmyres Inebriate Reformatory ;

(*b*) £1,600 for the construction of Geil Bridge, in the Parish of Avondale ;

(*c*) £6,250 for the provision and erection of a refuse destructor, including all necessary works, in connection with the Bellshill and Mossend Special Scavenging District ;

(*d*) £5,000 for the construction of new footpaths within the Middle Ward District during the year 1910-11 ;

(*e*) £3,500 for the provision and erection of a refuse destructor in connection with the Blantyre Special Scavenging District ;

(*f*) £70 19s. 1d., being the purchase price of ground and expenses for urinal at Main Street, Cambuslang, within the Cambuslang Special Scavenging District ;

(*g*) £5,300 for the construction of a storage tank at Glasford Filters, under the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Acts ;

(*h*) £1,063 for the introduction of Middle Ward Water to Auldhouse Village and district, in the Parish of East Kilbride ;

(*i*) £7 10s. for the erection of lamps and lamp-posts within the extended area of the Bishopbriggs Special Lighting District ;

(*j*) £384 8s. 5d., being excess capital expenditure in connection with laying sewer in Duchess Street, Rutherglen, within the Rutherglen Landward Special Drainage District ; and

(*k*) £99 13s. 11d. for the acquisition of sewer in Blenheim Avenue, Stepps, within the Stepps Special Drainage District.

Sub-Committee *re* Proposed Extension of Burgh of Airdrie, of date 17th December, 1909.

Sub-Committe *re* Collection of County Rates, of dates 16th March and 4th May, 1910.

(3) Joint Committee *re* Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of dates 5th January, 9th February, and 23rd March, 1910.

(4) Committee *re* Special Districts, of date 12th January, 1910.

(5) Weights and Measures Committee, of dates 26th January, 23rd February, 23rd March, and 27th April, 1910.

(6) Committee on Hamilton Court Houses and County Buildings, of date 4th February, 1910.
Sub-Committee *re* Lavatory Accommodation, of date 24th December, 1909.

(7) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 9th February, 9th March, and 27th April, 1910.
Conference with Burgh of Lanark *re* Fire Brigades, of date 29th December, 1909.
General Conference with Burghs *re* Fire Brigades, of date 29th December, 1909.
Conference with Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge *re* Fire Brigades, of date 9th February, 1910.
Sub-Committee *re* Glasgow Gas Consolidation Bill, of dates 4th and 23rd March, 1910.
Sub-Committee *re* Wishaw Burgh Extension Bill, of dates 23rd, 29th, and 31st March, 1910.
Joint-Meeting of Parliamentary Bills and Standing Joint-Committees *re* Police (Weekly Rest Day) Bill, of date 23rd March, 1910.
Sub-Committee *re* Strathaven and Darvel Railway, of date 4th May, 1910.
Proposed agreement with Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company *re* Electric Lighting Orders.

(8) Public Health Committee, of dates 16th February and 27th April, 1910.
Conference with District Committee *re* Meat Inspection, of date 30th March, 1910.

(9) Committee on Appeals against Assessments—
Upper Ward, of date 21st February, 1910.
Airdrie District, of date 23rd February, 1910.
Hamilton District, of date 23rd February, 1910.
Lower Ward, of date 25th February, 1910.

(10) Committee *re* Petroleum Acts, of date 2nd March, 1910.

(11) Committee *re* Cinematograph Act, of dates 16th March, 6th April, 20th April, and 4th May, 1910.

(12) Inebriates Committee, of date 16th March, 1910.

(13) Joint-Meeting of Special Committee with Representatives of District Committees *re* Proposed Consumptive Sanatorium, of date 30th March, 1910.

(14) County Road Board, of date 4th May, 1910.

(15) Explosives Committee (Hamilton District), of dates 20th October, 1909, and 28th January, 1910.

(16) Explosives Committee (Airdrie District), of date 13th April, 1910.

(17) Joint-Bridges Committee, of date 3rd February, 1910.

16. Appoint the following committees, &c. :—

(1) Quota (not exceeding seven) of Standing Joint-Committee.

(2) Executive Committee under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

(3) Finance Committee.

(4) Valuation Committees for the Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards.
(The Committees appointed will be asked to appoint their chairman and fix their first meeting.)

(5) Committee on Hamilton Court Houses and County Buildings.

(6) Committee on Lanark Court Houses.

(7) Quota of Lanark County Buildings Commission.
(8) County's quota of Glasgow Court Houses Commission.
(9) Committee on Parliamentary Bills (also, if so desired, Special Committee under Unemployed Workmen Act).
(10) Committees under the Explosives Acts.
(11) Committee on Weights and Measures.
(12) Committee on Technical Education.
(13) Public Health Committee.
(14) Committee on Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, with regard to Special Districts.
(15) Committee under Petroleum Acts.
(16) Committee under Cinematograph Act.
(17) Committee on Elections—
If so agreed, appoint Returning Officer, or remit to Committee, with full powers, to make all necessary arrangements in connection with the Elections in December, and to fix the date of the December Meeting of the Council.
(18) Representatives to County Councils' Association.
(19) Business Committee.
(20) Any other Committees whose remits have not been exhausted.

17. Petition by Electors at Barlinnie requesting that the area in which Prison and houses connected therewith are situated should be disjoined from the North Shettleston Electoral Division and included within the Millerston and Springburn Electoral Division.

18. Communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, dated 22nd April, 1910, transmitting copy resolution by the District Committee forming part of the Parish of Symington into a Special Water Supply District.

19. Communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, dated 20th April, 1910, intimating resolution by the District Committee to increase the salary of Mr. William R. Meek, Assistant Road Surveyor, from £125 to £140 per annum, as from 15th March, 1910.

20. Communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, dated 23rd December, 1909, transmitting copy resolution by the District Committee approving of the formation of a Special Lighting District in the Parish of New Monkland in the vicinity of South Biggar Road, Airdrie, to be known as "Gartlea Special Lighting District."

21. Communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, dated 23rd December, 1909, transmitting copy resolution by the District Committee disapproving of the formation of a Special Lighting District at Eddlewood, in the Parish of Hamilton.

22. Deeds for signature—
(1) Minute of Lease between James Scott and the County Council of house occupied by Depute Chief Constable;
(2) Missive of feu between A. J. C. Farie, of Farme, and the County Council of site of purification works, Barony and Mount Vernon Special Drainage Districts.
(3) Feu Contract between Lord Hamilton of Dalzell, K.T., and the County Council of minerals under Middle Ward Hospital, Motherwell.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the Jury Court, No. 2, County Buildings, there, upon Tuesday, 21st December, 1909, being the December Statutory Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, convened and met as required by statute, and intimated and called in terms of the Notice hereinafter inserted. 21st December, 1909.

Present—

John Adam.
John Allison.
James Anderson.
J. P. Baird.
Duncan C. Barr.
William Barr.
David J. Black.
Walter C. B. Christie.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Thomas Fulton.
Richard Gibb.
Nathaniel Gold.
Walter J. Grant.
Alexander Hamilton.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Logan.
A. D. Mack.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
Alexander Pillans.
James Prentice.
James Scott.
John Dick Scott.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas F. Wilson.
James Logan.
George Stalker.
William L. Dyer.
William M. Marshall.
Hugh Reid.
Robert G. Carson.
John P. Campbell.
Lawrence Maxton.
John M'Feat.
James Stewart.
David Wardley.
David Watson.
Joseph Halley.
Peter M. Martin.
John Stewart.
James Young.
John Carter.
James Davidson.
Roderick Macleay
John MacCallum.
James Thomson Macdonald.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, Vice-Convener of the County, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms, viz.:— *Notice calling meeting.*

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *11th December, 1909.*

Sir,

I am directed to remind you that the December Statutory Meeting of the County Council will be held *on Tuesday, the 21st current,*

The Meeting will take place in the JURY COURT No. 2, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), *at Half-past One o'Clock Afternoon.*

It will fall to the Meeting to appoint a Convener of the County, a Vice-Convener, a County Road Board, the County's quota of a Joint-Bridges Committee, the Council's quota of the Lanark District Lunacy Board, and four Members to represent the County on the Committees for visiting Glasgow Prisons (Duke Street and Barlinnie Prisons).

It will also fall to the Meeting to receive and dispose of Reports and Minutes of Committees, copies of which will be sent to the Members of the Council before the day of Meeting.

The Council, may, if they so resolve, proceed in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, to fill up the vacancy in the representation of the Govan (Bellahouston) Electoral Division of the County caused by the resignation of Mr. William Kerr.

There will be submitted to the meeting recommendations by—

(1) The District Committee of the Upper Ward to adopt within all existing Special Lighting, Scavenging, Drainage, and Water Districts in the Upper Ward Sections 144, 145, 158, 191 to 200 (as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903) inclusive, of the Burgh Police Scotland Act, 1892; and

(2) The District Committee of the Middle Ward to adopt within all existing Special Lighting, Scavenging, and Drainage Districts within the Middle Ward of the County the sections named;

and the Meeting may, by resolution, give effect to these recommendations.

A Print of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 14th October last, is sent herewith.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Council held on 14th October last, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Resignation of Mr. William Kerr.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the resignation of Mr. William Kerr, the representative on the County Council of the Bellahouston Electoral Division, and stated that, in accordance with the instructions of the Council, the usual notice had been inserted in the newspapers. As relative thereto, the Clerk submitted a letter from the Govan Sixth Ward Committee, recommending the appointment of Mr. Robert G. Carson, solicitor, 12 Walmer Terrace, Ibrox. Thereafter, on the motion

Mr. Robert G. Carson appointed.

of the Convener, the meeting unanimously appointed Mr. Carson to fill the vacancy, and he was accordingly declared to have been elected to represent the said electoral division on the County Council for the remaining period of the present council's term of office, all in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889.

It was agreed that Mr. Carson should be appointed a member of the Finance Committee and any others of which Mr. Kerr had been a member.

Mr. Carson thereafter entered the meeting, and, having intimated his acceptance of office, his name wss added to the sederunt.

Appointment of convener for year 1910.

The meeting having thereafter proceeded, according to Statute, to the election of a convener of the county for the year 1910, Mr. William Neilson moved that Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell be appointed, which was seconded by Mr. John D. Scott, and unanimously agreed to. Colonel Mitchell acknowledged the honour conferred upon him.

Appointment of vice-convener.

The meeting having proceeded to appoint a vice-convener of the county, Mr. James C. Hope Vere moved that Mr. George Green be appointed, which was seconded by Mr. William Speirs, and unanimously agreed to.

County Road Board.

The meeting having proceeded, in terms of the Statute, to appoint a County Road Board for the ensuing year, it was agreed that the following members of the Council should constitute the Board, and they were appointed accordingly, viz.:—

J. P. Baird.	A. G. Barns Graham.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.	James Hamilton Houldsworth.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.	Robert Lambie.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.	Colonel Moore.
Rev. C. M'Kune.	William Neilson.
John D. Scott.	James Scott.
James C. Hope Vere.	Stuart Spence.
Robert Sharp.	Colonel King Stewart.
Duncan C. Barr.	John Watt.
William Barr.	John Adam.
David J. Black.	James Anderson.
Colonel Buchanan.	J. Raeside Auld.
W. W. Chapman.	Walter C. B. Christie.
John F. Cochran.	Thomas Fulton.
Thos. G. Cowan.	Walter J. Grant.

Joint-Bridges Committee.

The following were appointed a Joint-Bridge Committee, or the Council's quota of the Joint-Bridges Committee, in virtue of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, viz.:—

James Anderson.	Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Walter C. B. Christie.	Walter J. Grant.

Colonel King Stewart.

Quota of Lanark District Lunacy Board.

In accordance with the Rules prescribed by the General Board of Lunacy, the meeting proceeded to appoint the Council's quota of the Lanark District Lunacy Board, and appointed the following members to represent the Council on the said Board, viz.:—

J. P. Baird.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Walter C. B. Christie.	William Neilson.
James H. Fenton.	Alexander Pillans.
Richard Gibb.	George Stalker.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	Colonel King Stewart.
John Jackson.	William Templeton.

Glasgow Prisons Visiting Committee.

As required by the Rules of the Prison Commissioners for Scotland, the meeting proceeded to appoint the Council's quota of the committees for visiting Glasgow Prisons (Barlinnie and Duke Street), and appointed the following members to represent the Council on the said committees:—

Walter C. B. Christie.	Peter M. Martin.
George Green.	William Miller.

Report of Consent by Standing-Joint Committee.

There was submitted to the meeting a report of the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County, in pursuance of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, in relation to capital works, and to the borrowing of the sums necessary to meet the expense thereof (forming Appendix I. to this minute), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

Food and Drugs Acts. — Report by Analyst.

There was laid before the meeting a report by the Public Analyst upon the articles analysed by him, under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, for the quarter ending 30th September last (forming Appendix II. to this minute), a print of which had been sent to each member of the Council.

Report by District Agricultural Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act.

The Clerk intimated to the meeting that the District Agricultural Analyst, under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, had reported that no samples of fertilisers and feeding stuffs had been analysed by him for the County during the quarter ending 30th September last.

Abstract of Valuation.

A printed abstract of the valuation of the county for the current year, giving a comparison with that of 1908-9 (forming Appendix V. to this minute), a copy of which had been sent to each member of the Council, was laid upon the table.

Minutes of Committees.

The following minutes, of which prints had been sent to each member of the Council, were submitted, viz.:—

(1) Committee on Hamilton Court-houses and County Buildings, of date 14th October, 1909.

(2) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of dates 20th October and 10th November, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Repair of Fences, of dates 26th August and 20th October, 1909.

(3) Weights and Measures, of dates 27th October and 24th November, 1909.

(4) Public Health Committee, of dates 27th October and 24th November, 1909.

(5) Finance Committee, of dates 3rd November and 1st December, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Collection of County Rates, of dates 13th and 27th October, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Assessment for Carmyle, &c., Scavenging, of date 1st December, 1909.

(6) Committee *re* Electric Lighting Orders, of date 3rd November, 1909.

(7) Committee on Elections, of date 3rd November, 1909.

(8) Inebriates Committee, of date 10th November, 1909.

(9) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 14th October, 17th November, and 8th December, 1909.

Resolution to adopt provisions of certain sections of Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, within Middle and Upper Wards.

(10) Committee on Special Districts, of date 24th November, 1909.

(11) County Road Board, of date 24th November, 1909.

(12) Executive Committee, of date 8th December, 1909.

Sub-Committee *re* Veterinary Inspectorship, of dates 24th November and 1st December, 1909.

Conferences with District Committees *re* Veterinary Inspectorship, of dates 24th November and 15th December, 1909.

(13) Explosives Committee for Lower Ward J.P. District, of date 15th December, 1909.

(14) Explosives Committee for Hamilton J.P. District, of dates 26th November and 3rd December, 1909.

Applications for consent to borrowing.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the following applications to the County Council relative to the borrowing of money to defray the cost of capital works, which had been submitted to the Finance Committee, and are referred to in the minutes of that committee above-mentioned:—

(*a*) £385 for the extension of sewage disposal works in connection with the Carnwath Special Drainage District;

(*b*) £50 for the purchase of a waste-detecting meter for use in the Lesmahagow Special Water District;

(*c*) £50 for the construction of fireplugs on the distributing mains in Braidwood Special Water District;

(*d*) £50 for the extension and alteration of the distributing pipes in the Carluke Special Water District;

(*e*) £20 for the erection of three additional lamps in the Crosslaw Special Lighting District;

(*f*) £1,500, being proportion applicable to Middle Ward District of £19,035 for the construction of sewage purification works to serve a portion of Mount Vernon Special Drainage District;

(*g*) £324 for the widening and improving of Crossgates and Luggie Road, and others within the Middle Ward District;

(*h*) £111 19s. 8d. for the taking over of a sewer at George Street, West End, Bellshill, within the Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District;

(*i*) £96 12s. 6d. for the erection of lamps and lamp-posts in the Shettleston and Tollcross Special Lighting District.

The meeting, having considered the above applications, resolved to borrow the sums above specified on the security of the rates chargeable therewith, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and it was remitted to the Finance Committee to obtain the amounts when required, and to fix the time or times within which they shall be repaid, and the meeting authorised the Convener and the Clerk to sign the minutes of consent attached to the several applications.

Under reference to the minutes of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of date 8th December, the Council, on the motion of the Convener, seconded by Mr. James Stewart, resolved—

1. On the requisition of the District Committee of the Upper Ward, to adopt, and hereby adopt, within all existing Special Lighting, Scavenging, Drainage, and Water Districts in the Upper Ward, Sections 144, 145, 158, and 191 to 200 (as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903) inclusive, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, the said resolution to take effect in such districts from and after 31st December, 1909.
2. On the requisition of the District Committee of the Middle Ward, to adopt, and hereby adopt, within all existing Special Lighting, Scavenging, and Drainage Districts within the Middle Ward of the County, Sections 144, 145, 158, and 191 to 200 (as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903) inclusive, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, the said resolution to take effect in such districts from and after 31st December, 1909.

Proposed appointment of County Veterinary Inspector.

With reference to the minutes of the Executive Committee, of date 8th December; of the sub-committees thereof, of dates 24th November and 1st December; and the minutes of the conferences with representatives of the District Committees, of dates 24th November and 15th December, Mr. Hamilton moved that the salary of the veterinary inspector to be appointed be fixed at £300 per annum, which was seconded by Mr. David J. Black.

Mr. John D. Scott moved the approval of the minutes of the Executive Committee, which was seconded by Mr. J. P. Baird.

After discussion, and a vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted against Mr. Hamilton's motion, which was accordingly declared lost.

Thereafter Mr. Fraser moved, by way of amendment to Mr. Scott's motion for the approval of the minutes, that the matter be recommitted with a view to a further conference with the District Committee, which was seconded by Mr. Black.

On a vote having been taken, by way of a show of hands, as for and against Mr. Fraser's amendment, a majority voted for it, and it was accordingly declared carried.

Approval of Minutes.

The meeting thereafter, subject to the foregoing resolutions, unanimously approved of the minutes of the County Road Board, and of the committees above mentioned.

Second report by County Medical Officer on the administration of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts.

The Clerk laid upon the table the second report by Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer, on the administration of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the Council. As relative thereto there was submitted a communication from the Local Government Board expressing their high appreciation of the report.

Supplementary Valuation Roll for Burghs of Govan and Partick.

Requests having been intimated from the Burghs of Govan and Partick for the County Council to prepare, in terms of Section 60 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, a supplementary Valuation Roll for these respective burghs, the meeting, on the motion of the Convener, agreed to the requests, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

Request by Govan Labour Representation Committee to be furnished with copies of the minute of the County Council.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a request by the Govan Labour Representation Committee to be furnished with copies of the minutes of the County Council and its committees, and he informed the meeting that he had replied stating that the Council, on a similar request being made by one of the Ward Committees of the Burgh of Govan, did not see their way to accede to it, but that, with the object of meeting the views of the Ward Committee in question, the publishers of the *Govan Press* would, in future, be informed of meetings of the County Council at which copies of the minutes and reports would be submitted and, further, that the publishers would be permitted to make such use of the printed minutes and reports of the Council as they may think proper. The meeting approved of the Clerk's reply.

Letter from Local Government Board re appointment of Dr. John Macdonald as a Medical Officer of Health.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Local Government Board, of date 3rd December, pointing out, with reference to the minutes of the Public Health Committee, of date 19th May, 1909, which had been approved of by the County Council at their meeting on 14th October last, relating to the appointment of Dr. John Macdonald as a Medical Officer of Health, that, for the purposes of the Sanitary Officer's grant, the appointment should be subject to the provisions of Section 54 (4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, as regards removal from office.

The Clerk having explained that this was the understanding of the County Council, the meeting resolved that the appointment of Mr. Macdonald should be subject to the provisions of Section 54 (4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889.

Appointment of Mr. Robert Spittal as Road Surveyor for the Second Division of the Middle Ward.

There having been submitted a communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, dated 29th November, enclosing excerpts from minutes of meetings of the Second Division Committee and District Committee with reference to the appointment of Mr. Robert Spittall as Road Surveyor for the Second Division at a salary of £350 per annum, with actual travelling expenses, the meeting approved.

Resolution by District Committee of Middle Ward not to form a Special Drainage District in the Parish of Dalserf to include Netherburn.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, dated 1st November, containing a resolution by the District Committee not to form a Special Drainage District in the Parish of Dalserf to include Netherburn.

Resolution by District Committee of Middle Ward approving of formation of Gartlea Special Scavenging District.

There was submitted a communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, dated 29th November, transmitting a resolution approving of the formation of a Special Scavenging District in the Parish of New Monkland, in the vicinity of South Biggar Road, Airdrie, to be known as Gartlea Special Scavenging District.

Deeds for signature.

There having been submitted the following documents for signature, the meeting authorised any two members of the Council and the Clerk to sign the same in the name and on behalf of the County Council, and instructed the Clerk to attach to them the common seal of the County, viz. :—

(1) Minute of Agreement in duplicate between the Town Council of the Burgh of Kirkintilloch and the Lower Ward District Committee and County Council *re* South Lenzie Water Supply ;

(2) Feu-Contract between R. L. Alston and the County Council for site of Slaughter-house near Stonehouse.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the Jury Court No. 2, County Buildings, there, upon Tuesday, 21st December, 1909, being a Special General Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, intimated and called in terms of the Notice hereinafter inserted. 21st December, 1909.

Present—

John Adam.
John Allison.
James Anderson.
J. P. Baird.
Duncan C. Barr.
William Barr.
David J. Black.
Walter C. B. Christie.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Thomas Fulton.
Richard Gibb.
Nathaniel Gold.
Walter J. Grant.
Alexander Hamilton.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
Robert J. Logan.
A. D. Mack.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
Alexander Pillans.
James Prentice.
James Scott.
John D. Scott.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas F. Wilson.
James Logan.
George Stalker.
William L. Dyer.
William M. Marshall.
Hugh Reid.
Robert G. Carson.
John P. Campbell.
Lawrence Maxton.
John M'Feat.
James Stewart.
David Wardley.
David Watson.
Joseph Halley.
Peter M. Martin.
John Stewart.
James Young.
John Carter.
James Davidson.
Roderick Macleay.
John MacCallum.
James Thomson Macdonald.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, Convener of the County, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms :— *Notice calling meeting.*

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 19*th November*, 1909.

Sir,

In terms of the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, the Electric Lighting (Scotland) Act, 1890, and the Electric Lighting (Scotland)

Aet, 1892 (Eleetrie Lighting Aet, 1882, Seetion 3 (6)), I am to intimate that a SPECIAL MEETING of the County Council of this County will be held within JURY COURT No. 2, SHERIFF COURT BUILDINGS (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), GLASGOW, *on Tuesday, 21st proximo, at Two o'clock p.m.*, or immediately after the Statutory Meeting of the Counеil to be held on the same day, for the purpose of approving, if so resolved, of applieation being made by the County Council to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order under the said Electric Lighting Acts, in respect of an extension of the area of supply under the Cambuslang Electric Lighting Order, 1903, so as to include so mueh of the Special Lighting District of Cambuslang as now existing as is not included in the area of supply under that Order.

I am,

SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Cambuslang Electric Lighting (Extension).—Copy Draft Order submitted.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the Cambuslang Electric Lighting (Extension) Draft Provisional Order, the object of which was "to extend the area of supply under the Cambuslang Eleetric Lighting Order, 1903, so as to include so much of the Special Lighting District of Cambuslang in the County of Lanark as eonstituted at the commencement of this Order as is not included in the area of supply under the principal Order."

Resolution to make application to the Board of Trade.

On the motion of the Convener of the County, the meeting unanimously resolved that application be made to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, the Electrie Lighting (Scotland) Act, 1890, and the Electric Lighting (Seotland) Aet, 1902, all in terms of the Draft Provisional Order submitted, and the Clerk was instructed to take all necessary steps for giving effeet to this resolution.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the Jury Court No. 2, County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 9th March, 1910, being a Special General Meeting of the County Council of Lanark, intimated and called in terms of the notice hereinafter inserted. 9th March 1910.

Present—

John Adam.
John Allison.
James Anderson.
James R. Auld.
J. P. Baird.
Duncan C. Barr.
William Barr.
Colonel Buchanan.
David J. Black.
W. W. Chapman.
Walter C. B. Christie.
John F. Cochran.
Thomas G. Cowan.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.
William Davie.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Thomas Fulton.
Nathaniel Gold.
Alexander Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
Robert J. Logan.
A. D. Mack.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
Alexander Pillans.
James Scott.
John D. Scott.
William Speirs.
Stuart Spence.
Robert Sharp.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James C. Hope Vere.
James Logan.
George Stalker.
William L Dyer.
Alexander Fletcher.
William M. Marshall.
Hugh Reid.
John P. Campbell.
John M'Feat.
James Stewart.
David Watson.
Joseph Halley.
James Young.
James Thomson MacDonald.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, Convener of the County, took the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms:— *Notice calling meeting.*

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
HAMILTON, 26th February, 1910.

Sir,

I am to request your attendance at a Special Meeting of the County Council of Lanark, to be held in the Jury Court No. 2, County Buildings, Glasgow

(entrance by 40 Wilson Street), on Wednesday, 9th March, 1910, at Half-past One o'clock afternoon, for the purpose of considering the following Provisional Orders or Private Bills (Scottish Office), viz. :—

(1) *Wishaw Burgh Extension, &c.*—to extend the boundaries of the Burgh of Wishaw; to authorise the Provost, Magistrates, and Councillors of the said Burgh to construct and maintain Sewers and Sewage Purification Works; to acquire Lands for Sewage Purification; and for other purposes:

(2) *Glasgow Gas Consolidation*—to consolidate with Amendments the Glasgow Gas Acts, 1869 to 1909; and for other purposes: and

(3) *Caledonian Railway*—to confer further powers on the Caledonian Railway Company in relation to their Undertaking; to extend the periods for the completion of Railways and other Works and for the purchase of Lands; to authorise the abandonment of certain Branch Railways; and for other purposes.

I am also directed to intimate that the County Council, as governing body, may resolve, if so agreed, to oppose the above-named Provisional Orders or Private Bills, or any of them, of all which notice is hereby given, in terms of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, and of the Act 35 and 36 Vict., cap. 91.

Prints of the minutes of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, relative to the above-named Orders or Bills, will be sent to you before the date of meeting.

The meeting will also be asked to consider the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1909, and if so advised to appoint a committee to consider and deal with applications for licences under the Act, and to remit to them the full powers of the Council under the Act.

There will also be submitted to the meeting a requisition by the District Committee of the Lower Ward to adopt, within the Special Lighting, Scavenging, Drainage, and Water Districts in the Lower Ward, as therein particularly specified, Sections 144, 145, 158, and 191 to 200, inclusive of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892 (as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903), and the meeting may, by resolution, give effect to these recommendations.

The meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am,

SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Newspaper notice of meeting.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the "Glasgow Herald," of date 26th February, containing a notice of the meeting, as required by Statute—the notice being in the following terms:—

"COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

"Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark will be held in the Jury Court No. 2, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), on Wednesday, 9th March, 1910, at Half-past One o'clock, afternoon, for the purpose of resolving, if so agreed, to oppose the following Provisional Orders or Private Bills, viz. :—

"(1) *Wishaw Burgh Extension, &c.*—To extend the boundaries of the Burgh of Wishaw; to authorise the Provost, Magistrates, and Councillors of the said Burgh to construct and maintain Sewers and Sewage Purification Works; to acquire Lands for Sewage Purification; and for other purposes.

"(2) *Glasgow Gas Consolidation.*—To consolidate with amendments the Glasgow Gas Acts, 1869 to 1909; and for other purposes; and

"(3) *Caledonian Railway.*—To confer further powers on the Caledonian Railway Company in relation to their Undertaking; to extend the periods for the completion of Railways and other Works, and for the purchase of Lands; to authorise the abandonment of certain Branch Railways; and for other purposes.

Of all which notice is hereby given, in terms of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899; the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1899; and the Act 35 and 36 Vict., cap. 91.

"THOS. MUNRO,
"*County Clerk.*

"County Offices, Hamilton."

Minutes of Parliamentary Bills Committee.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the minutes of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, of date 9th February, a print of which had been sent to each member of the Council.

Motion that the Council oppose Provisional Orders or Private Bills.

Under reference to these minutes, Mr. James Stewart moved that the Council oppose the following Provisional Orders or Private Bills, which was seconded by Mr. James C. Hope Vere:—

(1) Wishaw Burgh Extension, &c.;
(2) Glasgow Gas Consolidation;
(3) Caledonian Railway.

Wishaw Burgh Extension, &c., Order.—Amendment that the Council do not oppose.

By way of amendment, Mr. Alexander Pillans moved that the Council do not oppose the Wishaw Burgh Extension, &c., Order, which was seconded by Mr. Hugh Reid.

Motion carried.

A discussion having followed, and the motion and amendment having been put to the meeting, and a vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, an absolute majority of the whole number of the Council voted in favour of the motion—the amendment being supported by the mover and seconder only.

Remit to Parliamentary Bills Committee.

The Chairman thereupon declared the motion to be carried, and the meeting remitted to the Parliamentary Bills Committee, with full powers, to take such steps as they may consider advisable to carry out these resolutions, and with full authority to exercise the powers of the County Council in the matter of giving or withholding their consent to any or all of the Orders above referred to as they may consider advisable in the interests of the Council, or to adjust, with the promoters, satisfactory clauses for the protection of the County Council and District Committees in such cases as may permit of an amicable settlement.

Cinematograph Act, 1909.—Appointment of committee.

The Clerk having stated that it would be necessary for the Council to make arrangements for dealing with applications for licences under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, the meeting appointed the following committee to consider and deal with such applications, and remitted to them the full powers of the Council under the Act, viz.:—

Colonel Buchanan.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Green.	James T. MacDonald.
Alexander Hamilton.	John M'Feat.
Colonel Logan.	William Speirs.
A. D. Mack.	James Tonner.

James C. Hope Vere.

Resolution to adopt certain sections of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, &c., within all existing Special Lighting, Scavenging, Drainage, and Water Districts in the Lower Ward.

On the motion of the Convener, the Council resolved, on the requisition of the District Committee of the Lower Ward, to adopt, and hereby adopt, under and in terms of Sub-section 2 of Section 10 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, within all existing Special Lighting, Scavenging, Drainage, and Water Districts in the Lower Ward of the County formed under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, or the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, Sections 144, 145, 158, and 191 to 200 (as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903), inclusive of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, the said resolutions to take effect in such districts from and after 9th March, 1910.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF THE STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK, IN PURSUANCE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889, IN RELATION TO CAPITAL WORKS, AND TO THE BORROWING OF THE SUMS NECESSARY TO MEET THE EXPENSE THEREOF.

Since the date of their Report of Consent made to the County Council at the meeting of the Council held on 21st December last, the Standing Joint-Committee have given their consent to the following capital works, and to the borrowing of the sums aftermentioned for the respective capital works referred to, so far as it may be found necessary to borrow the same, and that by way of loans, to be repaid within the periods prescribed by the several Statutes administered by the County Council, the loans and interest thereof in each case to be charged to the appropriate rates levied in the several districts aftermentioned, viz.:—

Middle Ward.

(1) The widening and improving of the following highways, at a total estimated cost of £324, viz.:—

- (*a*) Luggie Road and Crossgates Road, Bellshill, £170;
- (*b*) North and South and Morningside and Chapel Highways, at Newmains Cross, £40;
- (*c*) Hope Street and Union Street, Bellshill, £44;
- (*d*) Langside and Sweethope Highways, Bothwell, £70.

(2) The taking over of a sewer at George Street, West End, Bellshill, within the Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £111 19s. 8d.;

(3) The construction of new footpaths within the Middle Ward District during the year 1910-11, at an estimated cost of £5,000;

(4) The provision and erection of a refuse destructor in connection with the Blantyre Special Scavenging District, at an estimated cost of £3,500;

(5) The purchase price of ground (and expenses) for urinal at Main Street, Cambuslang, within the Cambuslang Special Scavenging District, £70 19s. 1d.;

(6) The construction of a storage tank at Glasford Filters, under the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Acts, at an estimated cost of £5,300;

(7) The introduction of Middle Ward Water to Auldhouse Village and district, in the Parish of East Kilbride, at an estimated cost of £1,063.

Lower Ward.

(1) The erection of lamps and lamp posts in the Shettleston and Tollcross Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £96 12s. 6d.;

(2) The erection of lamps and lamp posts within the extended area of the Bishopbriggs Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £7 10s.;

(3) Excess capital expenditure in connection with laying sewer in Duchess Street, Rutherglen, within the Rutherglen Landward Special Drainage District, £384 8s. 5d.;

(4) The acquisition of sewer in Blenheim Avenue, Stepps, within the Stepps Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £99 13s. 11d.

THE COUNTY.

Excess capital expenditure in connection with alterations and additions at Hairmyres Inebriate Reformatory, £40 0s. 6d.

WM. SPEIRS,
JAMES DENNISTOUN MITCHELL,
Two Members of the Standing Joint-Committee.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

May, 1910

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF CONSENT

BY THE

STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE

TO

CAPITAL WORKS AND BORROWING

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

STATUTORY MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCIL

ON

THURSDAY, 12th MAY, 1910.

THE COUNTY CLERK.

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

ON THE

Certified Inebriate Reformatory

KNOWN AS

The Lanarkshire Inebriate Reformatory,

HAIRMYRES, EAST KILBRIDE,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1909.

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LIST

OF

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.

WILLIAM BARR, The Lodge, East Kilbride.

JOHN P. CAMPBELL, 820 Govan Road, Govan.

WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE, Yr. of Bedlay, Chryston.

JAMES H. FENTON, Ponclair, Lanark.

A. G. BARNS GRAHAM, of Lymekilns, Craigallian, Milngavie.

WALTER J. GRANT, 1 Beechwood Terrace, Shettleston.

GEORGE GREEN, Methven, Balshagray Avenue, Partick.

ALEXANDER HAMILTON, Bellshill.

Colonel DENNISTOUN MITCHELL, of Carwood, Biggar.

WILLIAM NEILSON, Banker, Bellshill.

JOHN D. SCOTT, of Ellenbank, Lesmahagow.

THOMAS F. WILSON, M.P., 163 Hope Street, Glasgow.

WILLIAM BARR, *Chairman.*

Secretary and Treasurer—THOMAS MUNRO, *County Clerk*, Hamilton.

Superintendent—Miss HELEN S. DYKES, Hairmyres.

Medical Officer—Dr. CHARLES ANDERSON FERGUS, East Kilbride.

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

ON THE

CERTIFIED INEBRIATE REFORMATORY

KNOWN AS

The Lanarkshire Inebriate Reformatory,

HAIRMYRES, EAST KILBRIDE,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1909.

To the Right Honourable LORD PENTLAND of Lyth,
Secretary for Scotland,
Scottish Office, Whitehall, S.W.

Sir,

In compliance with the regulations for the management and discipline of certified inebriate reformatories in Scotland, dated 25th May, 1905, the County Council of Lanark, as Managers of the Lanarkshire Inebriate Reformatory, beg to submit their Fifth Annual Report, being that for the year ending 31st December, 1909.

At the beginning of the year there were nine inmates, of whom one was at that date absent from the Reformatory on licence, and on 31st December last there were two inmates, one of whom—No. 7—was in prison serving a sentence of two months for escaping from the Reformatory.

The course of diet and the time table of work remains the same as formerly.

Members of the Committee of Management have made inspections of the Reformatory during the year, and no complaints have been made to them by any of the inmates.

During the year inmate No. 14 became unmanageable, and was transferred to the State Reformatory at Perth on 23rd November last. It is satisfactory to report, however, that, since her admission to that reformatory, her behaviour has so improved that she has been allowed out on licence, and is presently occupying the position of a domestic servant under proper guardianship.

There have been no admissions during the year. The Managers cannot account for this fact, unless it be because of the opinion which prevails as to the inadequacy of the law as it stands at present to deal with the class of inebriates to which the Acts apply.

The financial statement for the year is appended, and there are also appended the Reports of the Lady Superintendent and the Medical Officer.

WM. BARR,
Chairman of Committee of Management.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

16*th March*, 1910.

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INEBRIATES

ANNUAL ABSTRACT OF CASH PAYMENTS OF THE
DURING THE YEAR ENDED

Average Daily Number

RECEIPTS.

I. Government Contributions—			
In respect of Convictions under Section 23, ...	£32 18 4		
Do. do. do. 24, ...	163 2 6		
For Inmates on Licence, ...	3 5 0		
		£199	5 10
II. Contributions from the following Local Authorities—			
County Council of Lanark, ...	£623 1 8		
Burgh of Partick, ...	29 17 5		
		652	19 1
III. Industrial Account—			
Receipts, including sale of Stock in hand at beginning of year, ...	£29 6 3		
Less Expenditure, ...	7 18 11		
Nett, ...	£21 7 4		
Of which, applicable to Stock, ...		10	13 2
Work done by Inmates, ...		10	14 2
		£873	12 3

SUM

(Capital and Extraordinary

Receipts.	Total.	Average per Inmate per Week.
I. Government Contributions, ...	£199 5 10	£0 15 0½
II. Contribution of Local Authorities, ...	652 19 1	2 9 3
III. Receipts for Work done by Inmates, ...	10 14 2	0 0 9½
IV. Other Receipts, ...	10 13 2	0 0 9½
	£873 12 3	£3 5 10½

LOAN

Original amount of Loan.	Date of Loan.	Rate of Interest.
£7,750	1903-08.	Quarter per cent. over Scotch Bank Deposit Rate for time being, with minimum of 3 per cent.

DIX I.

ACTS, 1898-1901.

CERTIFIED INEBRIATE REFORMATORY AT HAIRMYRES, 31ST DECEMBER, 1909.

of Inmates. 5·1.

PAYMENTS.

I. WATCHING AND SERVICE—			
Superintendent, ...	£75 8 1		
Medical Officer, ...	10 10 0		
Attendant and Nurse, ...	97 12 0		
		£183 10 1	
II. MAINTENANCE—			
Provisions bought, ...	£91 13 10		
Clothing and Bedding, ...	12 14 2		
Laundry and Household Stores, ...	5 18 6		
Fuel, Light, and Water, ...	29 7 5		
Printing, Stationery, Papers, &c., ...	10 14 0		
Medical Supplies, ...	1 5 9		
Deficit on Garden Account, ...	18 15 5		
(This includes value of produce used.)			
Expenses of Licensed Persons, ...	3 0 10		
Gratuities to Inmates, ...	7 6 1		
Other Maintenance charges, ...	6 12 6		
Travelling Expenses, ...	5 17 3		
		193 5 9	
III. INTEREST, RATES, AND REPAIRS—			
Interest on Money borrowed (less rent received for lands), ...	£117 0 5		
Interest on Bank Account, ...	3 16 2		
Rates and Insurance, ...	30 16 2		
Ordinary Repairs, ...	45 3 8		
		196 16 5	
IV. EXTRAORDINARY PAYMENTS—			
Repayment of Debt, ...		300 0 0	
		£873 12 3	

MARY.

Payments excluded.)

Payments.	Total.	Average per Inmate per Week.
I. Watching and Service, ...	£183 10 1	£0 13 10
II. Maintenance, ...	193 5 9	0 14 7
III. Interest, Rates, and Repairs, ...	196 16 5	0 14 10
	£573 12 3	£2 3 3

ACCOUNT.

Outstanding at beginning of year.	Borrowed during year.	Repaid during year.	Outstanding at end of year.
£6,211 16 5	...	£300	£5,911 16 5

APPENDIX II.

REPORT BY SUPERINTENDENT.

"Hairmyres, March, 1910.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Fifth Annual Report of the Lanarkshire Certified Inebriate Reformatory at Hairmyres, East Kilbride, for Female Inebriates, for the year ending 31st December, 1909.

At the beginning of the year the number of patients on the register was nine, eight being under detention in the Reformatory, and one on licence.

During the year three completed their sentences, two were licensed, one absconded and is still uncaptured, and another, on account of violent and refractory conduct, which rendered further detention at Hairmyres undesirable, was transferred to Perth State Inebriate Reformatory, leaving two under detention in the Reformatory at the end of the year.

There were no admissions.

During the year three patients left the Reformatory on expiry of sentence. Of these, one continues to do well. She has been at liberty now for eleven months.

Of the two who were licensed, both were doing well. One, however, I regret to say, was suffering from a disease of a malignant type, and she died in January of this year, a week after her sentence expired.

The other, who went to her own home eleven months ago, is doing well. Her husband, who had been out of employment for many months, succeeded in getting a situation before she was licensed. She went home to a house devoid of furniture and bedding, and the children were poorly clad and very dirty. She adds to her husband's earnings by occasional charring, and the five children are now clean, tidy, and prosperous looking, and well dressed. The house also has been gradually furnished, and at all my visits I found it exceedingly clean and tidy. It is unfortunate that the wife's efforts at reform meet with so little encouragement from the husband, but, notwithstanding, the woman seems to be doing her utmost for the moral and religious training of her family.

The dietary and time-table of work remain the same.

Occupation is also the same, which consists of housework, knitting, sewing, gardening, feeding of pigs and poultry.

The conduct of the patients, with one or two exceptions, has been very good. One of the troublesome inmates, whose sentence expired in September, and who was irreclaimable, exercised a very bad influence over the others, and at times made the management most difficult.

The usual summer services held in the Reformatory were discontinued. The inmates, however, attended one of the churches in East Kilbride. Devotional services in the Reformatory were held as usual morning and evening.

Recreation hours were also the same, namely, from six to eight o'clock in the evening.

The Staff remains unchanged.

HELEN S. DYKES,

Superintendent."

APPENDIX III.

REPORT BY MEDICAL OFFICER.

East Kilbride, 14*th March*, 1910.

Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in laying before you my Fifth Annual Report on the health of the inmates of the Inebriate Reformatory at Hairmyres, East Kilbride.

We have had few cases of illness during the year. One patient suffered from inoperable carcinoma of uterus.

One patient was removed to Perth on account of threatening the life of another patient.

No specific treatment has been tried. The patients are removed from old companions, have good food, exercise in the open air, and work, so as to keep mind and body employed.

(Signed) CHAS. ANDERSON FERGUS.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS, 1878 to 1904.

REPORT

BY THE

CHIEF INSPECTOR OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES,

For the Year ending 31st March, 1910.

County of Lanark Weights and Measures Office,
16 Bridge Street, Partick, 25*th April*, 1910.

To the

Weights and Measures Committee
of the County Council of Lanark.

Gentlemen,

In accordance with No. 10 of the Regulations made by the Board of Trade, pursuant to the Weights and Measures Act, 1904, I herewith beg to submit the Report of the Weights and Measures Department for the year ending 31st March, 1910.

Out-door Inspection.

The Inspectors made 4.901 visits to shops and other places of business in the course of the year, and examined 68,752 weights, measures, and weighing instruments, on which I have to report as follows:—45,222 weights, 11,630 measures, and 8,031 weighing instruments were correct; and 2,748 weights, 326 measures, and 795 weighing instruments required adjusting. 12 weights and 9 weighing instruments were seized. Twelve traders having weights or weighing instruments much out of order were reported for prosecution. In each case a conviction followed, the fines imposed amounting to £15.

At the railway depots, collieries, quarries, and elsewhere the weigh-bridges used for the sale of coal, &c., were examined and tested. The Inspectors made 185 visits and tested 185 machines, with the result that 171 were in good order and 14 required adjusting or repairs. In three cases a report for prosecution was forwarded to the Procurator-Fiscal. A conviction was obtained in each case, and fines amounting to £4 were imposed.

In-door Department.

The number of weights, measures, and weighing instruments submitted for verification during the year was 36,866. In the offices 28,450 weights and 879 measures were stamped; of these, 28,146 weights and 319 measures were adjusted. On makers' and traders' premises and in the offices 2,463 weighing instruments were verified and stamped. 3,062 weights, 926 measures, and 381 weighing instruments being correct and already stamped were returned; no fees were charged for same. 394 weights, 90 measures, and 219 weighing instruments were rejected, being incorrect, or not conform to the Regulations, or unfit for further use.

Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1887.

The weighing machines at the collieries which are used for determining the wages of the miners were examined and tested as required by Statute. The Inspectors made 570 visits and tested 612 machines, with the result that 575 were found correct, and 37 required adjusting or repairs.

Markets and Fairs Act.

As required by this Act, the weighing plant in use at the auction marts throughout the County and at the Foreign Animals Wharf, Partick, were tested half-yearly, and found in good condition.

Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.

The powers conferred on the Inspectors, under Section 430 of this Act, have been freely exercised. In 737 places of business a number of made-up articles were weighed in presence of the Inspectors. In most cases they were found to be the weight represented. In cases where the deficiencies appeared to arise accidentally rather than with any deliberate intention to defraud the public, the Inspectors cautioned the offenders.

In the case of four traders, however, it was found necessary to institute proceedings for having made-up, kept, or exposed for sale, parcels of sugar, flour, and oatmeal, which were deficient of the weight represented. In each case the offender was convicted, and fines amounting to £5 10s. 6d. were imposed.

During the year twelve notices referring to the examination and testing of patterns of weighing or measuring instruments, submitted to the Board of Trade under Section 6 of the Weights and Measures Act, 1904, have been received from the Deputy Warden of the Standards. In eleven instances a certificate of approval was granted, and in one it was refused.

The following standards have been added to the equipment of the Department, viz. :—

1 set of Troy weights, 10 ounces to 0·001 ounce.
3 sets of Apothecaries' weights, 4 drachms to ½ grain.
3 sets of Grain weights, 100 grains to 0·01 grain.
2 sets of working standard weights, 56 lbs. to ½ dram.
1 set of working standard measures, ½-gallon to ¼-gill.
1 56-lb. scale beams.
2 7-lb. scale beams.
1 1-lb. scale beam.

Re-verified by the Standards Department :—

1 set of Metric weights, 20 kilograms to 1 milligram.

Statistical tables are appended, together with a summary of the prosecutions and statement of income and expenditure.

I am,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

EDMUND DONALD,
Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

TABLE A.

Summary of Out-door Inspection.

Number of Places liable to Inspection.	Number of Places visited.	Number visited once.	Number visited more than once.	Total Number of Visits.	Classification of Weights Examined.						Classification of Measures Examined.							Classification of Weighing Instruments Examined.										
												Capacity.															
												Liquid.															
					Avoir.	Troy.	Apoth.	Decimal Grain.	Metric.	Total.	Length.	Metal.	Earthenware.	Glass.	Apoth.	Dry.	Metric.	Total.	Beam-Scales.	Counter Machines.	Steelyards.	Spring Balances.	Dead-Weight Machines.	Platform Machines.	Weigh-bridges.	Other Instruments.	Metric.	Total.	
About 7.200	5,237	4.819	418	5,656	46,181	419	1370	...	...	47,970	269	6,658	...	4,655	348	26	...	11,956	5,152	2,000	76	197	702	430	1053	13	...	9,623	...
..	...	...	...	...	43,722	295	1205	...	...	45,222	237	6,384	...	4,647	343	19	...	11,630	4,783	1,846	61	161	583	400	933	10	...	8,777	Correct.
...	...	...	...	...	2,459	124	165	...	...	2,748	32	274	...	8	5	7	...	326	369	154	15	36	119	30	120	3	...	846	Incorrect.

Particulars of Prosecutions.

No.	Trade.	Nature of Offence.	Act and Section.	Result.
1	Quarry Master,	Unjust Weighbridge,	Weights and Measures Act, 1878, Section 25.	Fined 25s. or seven days.
2	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,	Fined 30s. or seven days.
3	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,	Fined 25s. or seven days.
4	Grocer,	Unjust Weights,	Do.,	Fined 20s. or seven days.
5	Provision Dealer,	Unjust Weighing Instrument,	Do.,	Fined 40s. or fourteen days.
6	Butcher,	Do.,	Do.,	Fined 20s. or seven days.
7	Provision Dealer,	Do.,	Do.,	Fined 80s. or twenty days.
8	Butcher,	Do.,	Do.,	Fined 40s. or twenty days.
9	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,	Fined 15s. or ten days.
10	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,	Fined 20s. or seven days.
11	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,	Fined 15s. or ten days.
12	Do.,	Unjust Weights,	Do.,	Fined 15s. or ten days.
13	Grocer,	Unjust Weighing Instrument,	Do.,	Fined 10s. or seven days.
14	Do.,	Unstamped Weighing Instrument,	Weights and Measures Act, 1889, Section 2,	Fined 10s. or seven days.
15	Fish Hawker,	Unjust Weighing Instrument,	Weights and Measures Act, 1878, Section 25,	Fined 15s. or seven days.
16	Provision Dealer,	Light parcels of Flour and Meal,	Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, Section 430,	Fined 10s. 6d. or seven days.
17	Do.,	Light parcels of Sugar,	Do.,	Fined 20s. or seven days.
18	Do.,	Light parcels of Flour, Meal, and Sugar,	Do.,	Fined 30s. or fourteen days.
19	Do.,	Light parcels of Flour and Meal,	Do.,	Fined 50s. or fourteen days.

TABLE B.

Summary of In-door Verification.

Classification of Weights Stamped.						Classification of Measures Stamped.							Classification of Weighing Instruments Stamped.									
							Capacity.															
							Liquid.															
Avoir.	Troy.	Apoth.	Decimal Grain.	Metric.	Total.	Length.	Metal.	Earthenware.	Glass.	Apoth.	Dry.	Metric.	Total.	Beam-Scales.	Counter Machines.	Steelyards.	Spring Balances.	Dead-Weight Machines.	Platform Machines.	Weigh-bridges.	Other Instruments.	Metric.	Total.
28,366	51	30	...	3	28,450	5	873	...	...	...	1	...	879	932	375	14	15	659	266	192	8	2	2,463

Number of Weights, Measures, and Weighing Instruments Rejected, and Number of Weights and Measures Adjusted by the Inspectors.

Rejected.			Adjusted by the Inspectors.	
Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.
394	90	219	28,146	319

TABLE B.—*Continued.*

Abstract of Fees received.

Stamping Fees.																		Adjusting Charges.			Miscellaneous.			Total.		
Weights.			Measures of Length.			Measures of Capacity.						Weighing Instruments.														
						Glass.			Earthenware.			Other Measures.														
£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.							£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
139	17	2	0	0	10	...			...			8	4	8	194	5	3	228	2	3½	41	13	8	612	3	10½

STAFF.

Name of Inspector of Weights and Measures.	Number of Local Verification Stamp.	Date of Appointment.	Number of Certificate of Qualification.	Other Occupation (if any).	Salary as Inspector of Weights and Measures.
Edmund Donald *(Chief)*, -	52	January, 1891,	55	...	£210
Robert Chrystal, - - -	24	Do.,	144	...	150
Andrew Mitchell, - - -	25	Do.,	179	...	150
Joseph Paterson, - - -	53	October, 1908,	1,054	...	125

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

From 1st April, 1909, to 31st March, 1910.

INCOME.

Fees—Adjusting, Verifying, and Stamping Weights and Measures, ...	£376	4	11½
Fees—Verifying and Stamping Weighing Instruments, ...	194	5	3
Fees—Production of Standards, ...	19	3	8
Received from Burgh of Lanark, ...	10	0	0
,, ,, Rutherglen, ...	12	0	0
Balance, ...	750	1	11
	£1,361	15	9½

EXPENDITURE.

Salaries, ...	£631	18	6
Wages, ...	297	19	6
Travelling Expenses, ...	78	18	1
Hires for Collieries, &c., ...	92	12	10
Rents, Taxes, and Insurance, ...	116	17	9½
New Standards and Scale Beams, ...	84	5	0
Re-verification of Standards and Scale Beams, ...	15	6	0
Stationery and Printing, ...	11	9	2
Furnishings and Repairs, ...	10	8	7½
Lead for Adjusting Weights, ...	3	0	5½
Coal and Gas, ...	5	6	0
Postage, ...	6	9	0½
Petty Expenses, ...	7	4	9½
	£1,361	15	9½

SALE OF FOOD AND

COUNTY OF

REPORT by the PUBLIC ANALYST upon the Articles analysed

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis.	
					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
398	Oct. 2	County Council of Lanark,	Uddingston, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Genuine,	... ...
399	„ 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do..	... ...
400	„ 2	Do..	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
401	„ 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
401	„ 6	Do.,	Coalburn, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
402	„ 6	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
403	„ 6	Do.,	Do.. ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
404	„ 6	Do.,	Lesmahagow,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
405	„ 6	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
406	„ 8	Do.,	Cambuslang,...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
407	„ 8	Do.,	Springwells, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
408	„ 8	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
409	„ 8	Do.,	Blantyre, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
410	„ 8	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
411	„ 8	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
412	„ 8	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
413	„ 14	Do.,	Kirkmuirhill,	Fluid Magnesia, ...	Do.,	... ...
414	„ 14	Do.,	Blantyre, ...	Fresh Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
415	„ 14	Do.,	Do., ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
423	„ 21	Do.,	Shettleston, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
424	„ 21	Do.,	Do.. ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
426	„ 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
428	„ 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	.. . .
429	„ 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
430	„ 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
431	„ 23	Do.,	Bothwell, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
432	„ 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
433	„ 23	Do.,	Tollcross, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
434	„ 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
435	„ 26	Do..	Cambusnethan,	Do., ...	...	Deficient in milk solids other than fat 29 per cent.,

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LANARK.

by him during the Quarter ending 31st DECEMBER, 1909.

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis. Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
436	Oct. 26	County Council of Lanark,	Newmains, ...	Margarine, ...	Genuine,	... ...
437	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
438	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
439	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
444	,, 30	Do.,	Bothwell, ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
445	,, 30	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
446	Nov. 2	Do.,	Halfway, Cambuslang,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
447	,, 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
448	,, 2	Do.,	Cambuslang,...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
449	,, 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
450	,, 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
451	,, 2	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
452	,, 2	Do.,	Halfway, Cambuslang,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
453	,, 5	Do.,	Douglas, ...	Flaked Rice, ...	Do.,	... ...
455	,, 5	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
459	,, 11	Do.,	Tollcross, ...	Cocoa, ...	Do.,	.. ..
460	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Cream, ...	Do.,	... ...
465	,, 11	Do.,	Carstairs, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
466	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
467	,, 15	Do.,	Bothwell, ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
468	,, 15	Do.,	Do., ...	Cream, ...	Do.,	... ...
469	,, 15	Do.,	Do., ...	Demerara Sugar, ...	Do.,	... ...
470	,, 15	Do.,	Do., ...	Cream, ...	Do.,	... ...
474	,, 19	Do.,	Cambuslang,...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
475	,, 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
476	,, 19	Do.,	Do., ..	Do., ...	...	Contained 92 per cent. of fatty matter not derived from milk,
482	,, 25	Do.,	Shettleston, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
483	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
484	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
487	,, 26	Do.,	Cadzow, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
488	,, 26	Do.,	Eddlewood, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
489	,, 26	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
490	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis.	
					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated and nature and extent of adulteration.
491	Nov. 26	County Council of Lanark.	Larkhall, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Genuine,	... ...
481	,, 29	Do.,	Uddingston, ...	Margarine, ...	Do.,	... ...
486	,, 29	Do.,	Stepps, ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
493	Dec. 2	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	...	Deficient in milk fat 43 per cent., ...
465	,, 3	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Do, ...	Do.,	... ...
496	,, 3	Do.,	Stonehouse, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in milk fat 3 per cent., ...
497	,, 3	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
498	,, 3	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
499	,, 3	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
501	,, 10	Do.,	Uddingston, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
505	,, 17	Do.,	Stonehouse, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
506	,, 17	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
507	,, 17	Do.,	Do., ...	Skim Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
508	,, 17	Do.,	Do., ...	Cream, ...	Do.,	... ...
509	,, 17	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
510	,, 23	Do.,	New Stevenston,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
511	,, 23	Do.,	Uddingston, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
512	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Skim Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
515	,, 29	Do.,	Carfin, ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
516	,, 29	Do.,	Do., ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
517	,, 29	Do.,	Springwells, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
530	,, 29	Do.,	Glasford, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
531	,, 29	Do.,	Shettleston, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
532	,, 29	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
533	,, 29	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

Total number of samples analysed at the instance of the Local Authority or their Officer during the Quarter, ... 88
Total number of same found to be adulterated, ... 4
Samples submitted by private individuals, in terms of Section 12 of the above Act. ... ... —

17th January, 1910.

ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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20th January, 1910.

THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

TEST SAMPLES SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS.

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Article submitted for Analysis.	4. Result of Analysis. Article genuine.	4. Result of Analysis. Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.	5. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	6. Observations of Analyst.
402	Oct. 2	Butter, ...	...	Contained 93 per cent. of fatty matter not derived from milk,	£0 10 0	
420	,, 15	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
420	,, 21	Butter, ...	...	Contained 92 per cent. of fatty matter not derived from milk,	0 10 0	
421	,, 21	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
422	,, 21	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
425	,, 21	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
427	,, 21	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
440	,, 26	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
454	Nov. 5	Vegetable Butter,	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
461	,, 11	Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	Sweet Milk.
462	,, 11	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	Skim Milk.
463	,, 11	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	Do.
464	,, 11	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	Sweet Milk.
471	,, 19	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
473	,, 19	Do., ...	...	Contained 91 per cent. of fatty matter not derived from milk,	0 10 0	
477	,, 22	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in milk fat 43 per cent.,	0 10 0	
478	,, 22	Butter, ...	Genuine.	... ...	0 10 0	
485	,, 25	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
492	,, 26	Cream, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
494	Dec. 2	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
500	,, 10	Butter, ...	...	Contained 91 per cent. of fatty matter not derived from milk,	0 10 0	
502	,, 10	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
504	,, 17	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
513	,, 23	Do., ...	...	Deficient in milk solids other than fat 4 per cent.,	0 10 0	
514	,, 23	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
318	,, 29	Butter, ...	...	Contained 92 per cent. of fatty matter not derived from milk,	0 10 0	

17th January, 1910.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

SALE OF FOOD AND

COUNTY OF

REPORT by the PUBLIC ANALYST upon the Articles analysed

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535	Jan. 5	County Council of Lanark	Crawford, ...	Strawberry Fruit Wine,	...	Contained 24 grains of salicylic acid per gallon,
536	,, 5	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Genuine,	... ...
537	,, 5	Do..	Uddingston, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
538	,, 5	Do.,	Mount Vernon,	Do., ...	..	Deficient in proof spirit 2 per cent., ...
539	,, 5	Do.,	Tollcross, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in proof spirit 3 per cent., ...
540	,, 5	Do.,	Shettleston, ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
541	,, 5	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
7	,, 10	Do.,	Lenzie, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
15	,, 10	Do.,	Brewsterford,	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
16	,, 20	Do.,	Wattstown, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in milk fat 21 per cent. and in milk solids other than fat 4 per cent.,
17	,, 20	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
18	,, 20	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in milk fat 31 per cent. and in milk solids other than fat 4 per cent.,
19	,, 21	Do.,	Strathaven, ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
20	,, 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
21	,, 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
22	,, 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
23	,, 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
24	,, 26	Do.,	Cambuslang,...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
25	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
26	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
27	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
28	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
29	Feb. 1	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Whisky, ...	...	Deficient in proof spirit 11 per cent.,
30	,, 1	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
37	,, 4	Do.,	Greengairs, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
38	,, 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
40	,, 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
42	,, 10	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	.. . .
52	,, 14	Do.	Mossend, ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...

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LANARK.

by him during the Quarter ending 31st MARCH, 1910.

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis. Article Genuine.	6. Result of Analysis. Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
53	Feb. 14	County Council of Lanark.	Blantyre. ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Genuine,	... ...
61	,, 17	Do.,	Holytown, ...	Whisky, ...	..	Deficient in proof spirit 12 per cent., ...
62	,, 17	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
63	,, 17	Do.,	Halfway, Cambuslang,	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in milk fat 13 per cent., ...
64	,, 17	Do.,	Hallside, ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
65	,, 17	Do.,	Newton, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
66	,, 19	Do.,	Mossend, ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
67	,, 19	Do.	Do., ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
68	,, 19	Do.,	Do.. ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
88	,, 24	Do.,	Bothwell, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
89	,, 24	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
90	,, 24	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
91	,, 24	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
92	,, 24	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
93	,, 24	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
123	Mar, 9	Do.,	Strathaven, ...	Whisky, ...	...	Deficient in proof spirit 8 per cent. ...
124	,, 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in proof spirit $\frac{7}{10}$ of a per cent.,
125	,, 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in proof spirit $\frac{8}{10}$ of a per cent.,
127	,, 11	Do.,	Baillieston, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Genuine,	... ...
128	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Cream, ...	Do.,	... ...
129	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	.. ..
130	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
131	,, 11	Do.,	Shettleston, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
132	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
133	,, 16	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
134	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
136	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
138	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
140	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
141	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Brown Sugar, ...	Do.,	... ...
143	,, 19	Do.,	Lesmahagow,	Demerara Sugar, ...	Do.,	... ...
144	,, 19	Do.,	Cambuslang,...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...

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7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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1. Number	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis.	
					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated and nature and extent of adulteration.
145	Mar. 19	County Council of Lanark.	Cambuslang,...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Genuine,	... ...
146	,, 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
148	,, 25	Do.,	Plains, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... .
149	,, 25	Do.,	Wattstown, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
150	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

Total number of samples analysed at the instance of the Local Authority or their Officer during the Quarter, ... 66
Total number of same found to be adulterated, ... 11
Samples submitted by private individuals, in terms of Section 12 of the above Act, ... —

20th April, 1910.

ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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25th April, 1910.

THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

TEST SAMPLES SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS.

1. Number	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Article submitted for Analysis.	4. Result of Analysis. Article genuine.	4. Result of Analysis. Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.	5. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	6. Observations of Analyst.
31	Feb. 1	Butter, ...	Genuine,	... ...	£0 10 0	
32	,, 1	Do., ...	...	Contained 94 per cent. of fatty matter not derived from milk,	0 10 0	
33	,, 1	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
34	,, 1	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
35	,, 1	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
39	,, 4	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
43	,, 10	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
44	,, 10	Do, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
45	,, 10	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
46	,, 10	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
60	,, 17	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
71	,, 24	Malt Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
87	,, 24	Tinned Tomatoes,	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	Free from metallic impurity.
101	Mar. 9	Lime Juice, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
102	,, 9	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
135	,, 16	Skimmed Milk,	...	Contained 25 per cent. of added water,	0 10 0	
137	,, 16	Do., ...	Genuine.	... ...	0 10 0	
139	,, 16	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
142	,, 16	Potash Water, ...	...	Contained no potash, ...	0 10 0	

20th April, 1910.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

COUNTY

FERTILISERS AND FEED

Report to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries by the Official

Name of Fertiliser or Feeding Stuff.	Date of Receipt of Sample.	Name and Address of Seller (if known).	Name and Address of Person submitting Sample.
Basic Slag, ...	13th December,	Not known,	Charles M'Ara, Official Sampler,

* If the sample is in accordance with the statements in the invoice. circular, or advertisement, the word "satisfactory" should be entered in this column.

If a special report on the sample has been made to the Board in accordance with Article 4 of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs (General) Regulations of 1906, the words "Special Report" should be entered in this column.

If the sample is not in accordance with the statements in the invoice, circular, or advertisement, and no special report has been made, particulars should be given in this column as to any deficiencies below guarantee, together with information showing the extent to which the purchaser is prejudiced.

NOTE.—If no samples have been analysed the Returns should be forwarded marked "nil" in order that the Board's Records may be complete.

OF LANARK.

ING STUFFS ACT, 1906.

Agricultural Analyst for the Quarter ending 31st December, 1909.

* REMARKS.

Analysis shows much above guarantee.

Total Number of Samples—Satisfactory, 1. Unsatisfactory, 0,

Signature of Agricultural Analyst, R. R. TATLOCK.

Date, 11th January, 1910.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

BY

DISTRICT ANALYST

UNDER

FERTILISERS AND FEEDING STUFFS ACT, 1906,

FOR THE

QUARTER ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1909,

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 12th May, 1910.

COUNTY

FERTILISERS AND FEED

Report to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries by the Official

Name of Fertiliser or Feeding Stuff.	Date of Receipt of Sample.	Name and Address of Seller (if known).	Name and Address of Person submitting Sample.
Bean Meal, ...	14th February	Not known,	Charles M'Ara, Official Sampler
Nutted Oil Cake, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Pure Dissolved Bones, ...	11th March,	Do.,	Do.,
Superphosphates, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Do., ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Kainit, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Sulphate of Ammonia, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Bone Meal, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Potash Salts, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Basic Slag, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Bone Meal, ...	21st March,	Do.,	Do.,
Superphosphates, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Do., ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Potash Salts, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Kainit, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Grain Manure, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Superphosphates, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Potato Manure, ...	26th March	Do.,	Do.,
Grain Manure, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Sælia Potato Manure, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,

* If the sample is in accordance with the statements in the invoice, circular, or advertisement, the word "satisfactory" should be entered in this column.

If a special report on the sample has been made to the Board in accordance with Article 4 of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs (General) Regulations of 1906, the words "Special Report" should be entered in this column.

If the sample is not in accordance with the statements in the invoice, circular, or advertisement, and no special report has been made, particulars should be given in this column as to any deficiencies below guarantee, together with information showing the extent to which the purchaser is prejudiced.

NOTE.—If no samples have been analysed the Returns should be forwarded marked "nil" in order that the Board's Records may be complete.

OF LANARK.

ING STUFFS ACT, 1906.

Agricultural Analyst for the Quarter ending 31st March, 1910.

* REMARKS.

Informal Sample—Analysis satisfactory.

Do. do.

Official Sample—Insoluble phosphates deficient, but this was counterbalanced by excess of soluble phosphates.

Official Sample—Satisfactory.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Do. do.

Informal Sample— do.

Do. do.

Official Sample— do.

Total Number of Samples—Satisfactory, 20. Unsatisfactory, 0.

Signature of Agricultural Analyst, R. R. TATLOCK.

Date, 14th April, 1910.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

BY

DISTRICT ANALYST

UNDER

FERTILISERS AND FEEDING STUFFS ACT, 1906,

FOR THE

QUARTER ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1910,

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 12th May, 1910.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

RETURN OF EXPENSES OF DEPUTATIONS FOR YEAR 1909, PREPARED IN TERMS OF THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL AS CONTAINED IN THE MINUTES OF 11TH MAY, 1899, AND 15TH DECEMBER, 1908.

Name of Councillor.	Object of Deputation or Visit.	No. of Days Spent.	Sum Paid to each Councillor.	
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
John D. Scott, - - -	Attending Road Conferenee in London, promoted by the English County Councils Association, - - - -	6	15 3 9	
	Interviewing Mr. Struthers, of the Seoteh Education Department, in Edinburgh, with a view to seeuring financial support for Glasgow Veterinary College, - - - - - - -	1	0 10 6	
	Attending Conference in London, promoted by the National Association for the Prevention of Consumption and other forms of Tuberculosis, - -	4	12 0 9	
	Interviewing the Board of Agriculture, in London, regarding the Tuberculosis Order, &c., - - - - - -	3	8 17 9	
				36 12 9
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell,	Attending Conference in Edinburgh of Local Authorities interested in the allocation of the balance of the Edueation (Scotland) Fund, - -	1	0 10 6	
	Attending Conference with Mr. Struthers, of the Seotch Education Department, in Edinburgh, regarding the alloeation of the balance of the Edueation (Seotland) Fund, - - - - -	1	0 10 6	
	Attending Conference in Edinburgh of Local Authorities interested in the allocation of the balanee of the Edueation (Scotland) Fund, - -	1	0 12 6	
	Attending Road Conference in London, promoted by the English County Counеils Association, - - - -	6	14 9 9	
	Attending Conference in London in eonnection with the alloeation of the balance of the Education (Seotland) Fund, - - - - - - - -	3	8 13 3	
	Interviewing the Seeretary for Scotland in London in the matter of the Town Planning, &c., Bill, - - - - -	4	9 4 9	
				34 1 3
Robert Lambie, - - -	Attending Road Conferenee in London, promoted by the English County Counеils Assoeiation, - - - -	6	15 1 11	
	Attending Congress of Royal Institute of Public Health at Leeds, - - -	7	13 1 10	
	Carry forward, - - -		28 3 9	70 14 0

Name of Councillor.	Object of Deputation or Visit.	No. of Days Spent.	Sum Paid to each Councillor.					
			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward, - - -		28	3	9	70	14	0
Robert Lambie—*continued,* -	Interviewing the Secretary for Scotland in London in support of the County Council's Amendments on the Milk and Dairies Bill, - - - - -	2	5	13	7			
						33	17	4
James Stewart, - -	Attending Conference in Edinburgh of Local Authorities interested in the allocation of the balance of the Education (Scotland) Fund, - -	1	0	10	6			
	Attending Conference with Mr. Struthers, of the Scotch Education Department, in Edinburgh, regarding the allocation of the balance of the Education (Scotland) Fund, - - - - -	1	0	10	6			
	Attending Conference in Edinburgh of Local Authorities interested in the allocation of the balance of the Education (Scotland) Fund, - -	1	0	12	6			
	Interviewing the Secretary for Scotland in London in the matter of the Town Planning, &c., Bill, - - - - -	4	9	14	3			
	Attending Conference in London in connection with the allocation of the balance of the Education (Scotland) Fund, - - - - - - - -	4	9	14	3			
	Attending in London in connection with the House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill, - - - - - -	3	8	13	3			
						29	15	3
William Templeton, - -	Attending the Annual Meetings, in London and Paris, of the Society of Inspectors of Weights and Measures, -	7	...			28	1	9
A. D. Mack, - - -	Attending Congress of the Royal Institute of Public Health at Leeds, - - -	8	14	11	4			
	Attending the Congress of the Incorporated Sanitary Association at Ayr, - - - - - - - - -	4	4	10	3			
						19	1	7
James Anderson, - - -	Attending Road Conference in London, promoted by the English County Councils Association, - - - - -	6	...			14	19	3
Thomas F. Wilson, M.P., -	Attending Congress of the Royal Institute of Public Health at Leeds, -	6	11	8	4			
	Attending the Congress of the Incorporated Sanitary Association at Ayr, -	1	1	7	3			
						12	15	7
George Green, - - -	Attending in London in connection with the House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Bill, - - - - - - - -	3	...			8	13	3
Alexander Hamilton, - -	Attending the Congress of the Incorporated Sanitary Association at Ayr, -	4	...			4	11	10
James Tonner, - - -	Attending the Congress of the Incorporated Sanitary Association at Ayr, -	4	...			4	10	3
						227	0	1

First Portion.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 12TH MAY, 1910.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 29th December, 1909. being a meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. — 29th December, 1909.

Present—

John Allison.	James Logan.
J. P. Baird.	A. D. Mack.
William Barr.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
W. W. Chapman.	Roderick Macleay.
John F. Cochran.	Hugh Reid.
Thomas G. Cowan.	John D. Scott.
Provost Davidson.	Stuart Spence.
Thomas Fulton.	William Sym.
George Green.	William Templeton.
Alexander Hamilton.	James Young.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.
D. Hamilton, V.S.

Mr. John D. Scott, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 8th current, which had been submitted to, and approved of by, the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting an excerpt from the statutory meeting of the County Council, held on 21st December last, containing the further remit to the committee with reference to the proposed appointment of a Veterinary Inspector. — *Proposed appointment of Veterinary Inspector. — Remit from County Council.*

The meeting, after discussion, agreed to appoint a sub-committee, consisting of seven members, to further confer with representatives of the several District Committees on the subject, and the following were appointed, viz. :— — *Appointment of sub-committee.*

George Green.	John D. Scott.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.	Provost Macleay.
Hugh Reid.	William Templeton.

Provost Davidson.

The Clerk stated that, since the date of last meeting, there had been notified to him, in terms of the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, nine cases, four of which — *Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order.—Cases reported.*

had been certified to be cases of anthrax, the particulars of these cases being as follows, viz. :—

Anthrax cases.

Overton Farm, by Crossford (J. L. Goulding).

In this case the animal affected was a 2½-year-old feeding heifer, which had been ill for nearly a week prior to death. On *post mortem* examination the Veterinary Inspector certified it to be a case of anthrax. The animal was destroyed at Omoa, and the premises were thoroughly cleansed and disinfected. The feeding consisted of bruised oats, Main's cake, hay, straw, and turnips. There remain on the premises 44 cattle, 8 horses, and 2 dogs.

170 Buchanan Street, Coatbridge (David Longmuir).

The animal affected in this case was a six-year-old cow in calf, and was certified by the Veterinary Inspector to have died from Anthrax. The animal was destroyed at Omoa, and the premises disinfected, &c. The feeding consisted of foreign bean meal and thirds, hay, &c. There remain on the premises 23 cattle and 1 dog.

Crofthill, Auchengray (George Muir).

In this case two cows were affected, and were certified by the Veterinary Surgeon to have died of anthrax. The carcases were taken to Omoa and there destroyed, and the premises have been cleansed and disinfected. The feeding consisted of bean meal, turnips, and fodder. There remain on the premises 44 cattle, 4 horses, 79 sheep, 11 pigs, and 3 dogs.

Westburn Farm, Cambuslang (James Wilson).

In this case the animal affected was a three-year-old Irish feeding bullock. On *post mortem* examination the Veterinary Inspector certified it to be a case of anthrax, and had the carcase removed to Omoa for destruction. The premises have been thoroughly cleansed and disinfected. The feeding consisted of barley meal, Main's cake, bruised oats, hay, and potatoes. There remain on the farm 40 cattle, 23 horses, 3 dogs, and 1 pig.

Sheep dipping (Scotland and North of England) Order, 1907.—Alleged contravention.

The Clerk having submitted to the meeting information against Mr. William Paterson, Grangehall Farm, Pettinain, for an alleged offence against the Sheep Dipping (Scotland and North of England) Order, 1907, and having explained the whole circumstances, the meeting agreed that no proceedings be taken.

Swine fever.—Cases reported.

The Clerk reported that the following premises had, since the date of last meeting, been defined as infected places under the Swine Fever Order of 1908, viz. :—

(1) Bothlynbank, Craigenbay, Lenzie (Andrew Philip);
(2) Kirklands Asylum, Bothwell;

but he stated that the Board had since instructed the withdrawal of the restrictions in both cases.

Revocation of Tuberculosis Order, 1909

There was laid before the meeting an Order by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, dated 8th December, 1909, revoking the Tuberculosis Order of 1909.

Account

An account from Messrs. Alexander Mason & Sons for the destruction of carcases, amounting to £3, having been submitted, was examined and passed for payment.

16th February, 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 16th February, 1910, being a meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. 16th February, 1910.

Present—

John Allison.	A. D. Mack.
J. P. Baird.	Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
William Barr.	Roderick Macleay.
John P. Campbell.	James Prentice.
Thomas G. Cowan.	Hugh Reid.
Thomas Fulton.	John D. Scott.
George Green.	William Sym.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Templeton.

Attending—

D. Hamilton, V.S.

Mr. John D. Scott, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 29th December, 1909, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The minutes of the Sub-Committee regarding the proposed appointment of a County Veterinary Inspector, of date 26th January, 1910 (Appendix I.), which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Proposed appointment of veterinary inspector.—Minutes of sub-committee.*

There was also submitted the minutes of a conference between the sub-committee and representatives of the various District Committees on the same subject, and held on the same date (Appendix II.), a print of which had also been sent to each member of the committee. *Minutes of conference*

The Clerk stated that, since the date of last meeting, there had been notified to him, in terms of the diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 40 cases, 8 of which had been certified to be cases of anthrax, the particulars of these cases being as follows, viz. :— *Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order.—Number of notifications.*

Lickprivick, East Kilbride (William Allison).

The animal affected in this case was an aged dairy cow in calf, and death was certified by the Veterinary Inspector to be due to anthrax. The carcase was removed to Omoa Knackery for destruction, and the premises were thoroughly cleansed and disinfected. The feeding consisted of cake, hay, &c. There remain on the premises 30 cattle and 4 horses. *Anthrax.*

Burghmuir Farm, Biggar (James Meikle).

In this case a cow was affected, and on *post-mortem* examination the Veterinary Inspector certified death to be due to anthrax. The carcase was destroyed at Omoa, and the premises cleansed and disinfected. The feeding consisted of straw, turnips, and bean meal. There remain on the premises 28 cattle, 9 sheep, 3 horses, and 2 dogs.

Cleghorn Mill, Lanark (John Russell).

In this case a bullock was affected, and was certified by the Veterinary Inspector, after *post-mortem* examination, to have died of anthrax. The carcase was removed to Omoa for destruction, and the usual precautions taken by way of cleansing and disinfecting the premises. The feeding consisted of cake, turnips, and hay. There remain on the premises 32 cattle, 6 horses, and 1 dog.

YETT, BRAIDWOOD, CARLUKE (Robert Frame).

The animal affected in this case was a cow, which, on *post-mortem* examination, was certified by the Veterinary Inspector to have died of anthrax. The carcase was destroyed at Omoa, and the premises disinfected. The feeding consisted of cake, turnips, and hay. There remain on the premises 8 cattle, 2 swine, 2 horses, and 1 dog.

EASTERHOUSE FARM, NEWMAINS (Colonel King Stewart).

In this case a two-year-old Irish feeding bullock died, death being certified by the Veterinary Inspector to be due to anthrax. The carcase was destroyed at Omoa. The feeding consisted of linseed, Bombay cotton-cake, and Indian meal. There remain on the premises 50 cattle and 1 dog

STANEBENT FARM, SHOTTS (Robert Brownlie).

The animal affected in this case was a three year-old dairy cow, which was certified by the Veterinary Inspector to have died of anthrax. The carcase was taken to Omoa for destruction The feeding consisted of bean meal, turnips, hay, and straw. There remain on the premises 39 cattle, 3 horses, and 1 dog.

PRIESTGILL, BY STRATHAVEN (William Gilchrist).

In this case the animal affected was a five-year-old cow, which the Veterinary Inspector certified had died of anthrax. The animal was destroyed at Omoa. The feeding consisted of bean meal, bran, hay, and straw. There remain on the premises 24 cattle, 66 sheep, 3 horses, and 1 dog.

BURNBANK FARM, QUARTER (James Semple).

In this case the animal affected was a three-year-old cow in calf, the death being certified by the Veterinary Inspector, on *post-mortem* examination, to be due to anthrax. The carcase was destroyed at Omoa. The feeding consisted of bean and Bibby meals, turnips, and hay. There remain on the premises 37 cattle, 41 sheep, 6 horses, and 2 dogs.

Withdrawal of restrictions.

The Clerk intimated that the restrictions had been withdrawn in the following cases, viz. :—

Lickprivick, East Kilbride (William Allison)—15th January;
Burghmuir Farm, Biggar (James Meikle)—10th February;
Cleghorn Mill, Lanark (John Russell)—31st January;
Easterhouse Farm, Newmains (Col. King Stewart)—9th February;
Yett, Braidwood (Robert Frame)—12th February;

as well as in the following cases reported to a previous meeting, viz. :—

Curlingmyres Farm, East Kilbride (Robert Young)—30th December;
Overton Farm, near Rosebank (J. L. Goulding)—30th December;
170 Buchanan Street, Coatbridge (David Longmuir)—19th January;
Crofthill, Auchengray (George Muir)—18th January;
Westburn Farm, Cambuslang (James Wilson)—13th January.

Johne's disease.—Communication from D. Hamilton, V.S.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a letter, dated 15th current, which he had received from Mr. Hamilton, V.S., on the subject of Johne's disease, a copy of which forms Appendix III. to this minute.

After consideration, it was agreed that a copy of the communication be forwarded to the Board of Agriculture for their information.

Sheep scab.

The Clerk stated that, since the date of last meeting, outbreaks of sheep scab had occurred on the following premises, viz. :—

I.—UDSTON FARM, STONEHOUSE (William Wilson).

The flock of sheep belonging to William Wilson, Udston, Stonehouse, consists of 65, the 2 affected sheep being part of a lot purchased at Lanark in November, 13 of which he sold immediately to Alexander Baird, Canderside Farm.

Isolation notices have been served with respect to sheep at—

(1) Cleghorn Mill, Lanark (John Russell); and
(2) Canderside Farm, Stonehouse (Alexander Baird),

for the reason that these sheep are alleged to have been in contact with the affected sheep at Udston Farm.

II.—Burnbrae, Quarter, Hamilton (Robert Kirkland).

There are 31 sheep on the farm of Burnbrae. These sheep are in two lots of 10 and 21 respectively. It is amongst the former lot that scab has broken out. They were bought from Thos. Brownlie, Earnockmuir Farm, Hamilton, in the end of October last.

Although the lot of 21 are said not to have been in contact with the lot of 10, it has been considered advisable to serve an isolation notice with respect to the lot of 21.

Since the date of last meeting isolation notices have also been served with respect to sheep on—

(1) Lochgate Farm, Avondale, by Darvel (Mrs. Elizabeth Hamilton);
(2) Stoneyford Farm, Avondale (Alexander Paterson)

on account of their having been in contact with affected sheep.

Withdrawal of restrictions.

The Clerk reported that the restrictions had been withdrawn in the following cases, viz.:—

Upper Rickle, Cormiston (David Clarkston);
Clyde Braes, Biggar (Alexander Fleming);
Clyde Lees, Cormiston (Thos. Lockie);
Stonerickle, Thankerton (D. & J. Clark).

Question of serving isolation notices in certain cases.

The Clerk having explained the practice which had hitherto been followed by this Local Authority in connection with the serving of isolation notices under the Sheep Scab Order and the course suggested by the Board of Agriculture, the meeting expressed the view that in cases where the sheep in regard to which an isolation notice was proposed to be served had, for a space of three months, been separated from diseased sheep, no notice should be served where a veterinary examination showed that the sheep were free from disease. The committee were of opinion that where sheep had been for a period longer than three months free from contact with affected sheep it was a hardship upon the owner to be compelled, under certain circumstances, to dip his sheep, or not to move them until the expiration of 56 days from the date of the notice.

The Clerk was instructed to represent this view to the Board of Agriculture.

Contravention against Sheep Dipping (Scotland and North of England) Order.—Result of prosecution.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk reported that the case against Thomas Stark for a contravention of the Sheep Dipping (Scotland and North of England) Order, 1907, had been heard at the Justice of Peace Court for the Glasgow district on 30th December last, and that the accused, who pled guilty, had been fined 2s. for each sheep, making £7 2s. in all.

Swine fever.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, the following premises had been declared swine fever infected places, viz.:—

Snar, Crawfordjohn (Robert Lockhart);
H.M. Prison, Barlinnie (James Cram, Governor)—(notices served at two different periods).

Withdrawal of restrictions.

He also reported that the restrictions had been withdrawn in each of these cases, as also in the case of—

Kirklands Asylum, Bothwell (Dr. Skeen, Superintendent),

reported to last meeting.

Animals (Notification of Disease) Order, 1910.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a copy of the Animals (Notification of Disease) Order of 1910, which imposes upon Veterinary Surgeons or Veterinary Practitioners an obligation to report to the Local Authority the existence or suspected existence of diseases amongst animals that may be examined by them in their private practice, and which also provides for the payment to Veterinary Practitioners of a fee of 2s. 6d. for each notification. The Order comes into force on 1st April, 1910.

Proposed cart for removal of diseased carcases.

Under reference to the minutes of 8th December last, the Clerk stated that Mr. Mason, Omoa, now proposed to purchase a motor van for the conveyance of diseased animals, and it was suggested that instead of this Local Authority procuring a cart it might be sufficient if a tank lined with zinc were made so as to fit into the van. The suggestion was approved of, and the Clerk was authorised to take the necessary steps to have a tank made.

Accounts.

The Clerk submitted the following accounts, viz.:—

Alexander Mason & Son (destruction of carcases), ...	£5 0 0
J. L. Goulding (disinfection of premises), ...	4 10 0
D. Hamilton (carbolic acid for disinfection of premises at Coatbridge), ...	0 12 0
D. Hamilton (fees and expenses from 21st November, 1909, till 15th February, 1910), ...	87 2 6
	£97 4 6

With regard to the account of Mr. J. L. Goulding, the Clerk was instructed to offer a sum of £3 in settlement of the account.

The other accounts were passed for payment.

Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908.—Renewal of licences.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a list of the licences under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, which had been renewed to 31st December, 1910.

Application for licence.

The Clerk laid before the meeting an application by Mr. James M'Queen, Jun., Uddingston, for a licence, under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, to sell and keep open shop for the sale of poisonous substances, to which Section 2 of that Act applies, for use exclusively in connection with horticulture.

The Clerk having stated that, in terms of the Act and Regulations, due notice had been given by the applicant of his intention to make application, and that no objections had been received from the Chief Constable to the granting of the licence, the meeting, after consideration, unanimously agreed to grant a licence, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

16th February, 1910.

APPENDIX I.

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 26th January, 1910, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed with reference to the proposed Appointment of a Veterinary Inspector. 26th January, 1910.

Present—

Provost Davidson.
Provost Macleay.
Hugh Reid.
John D. Scott.
William Templeton.

Mr. John Scott, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The chairman stated, as a reason for the meeting, that it had been thought desirable that the sub-committee should, prior to the conference to be held later on the same day, have an opportunity of discussing the present position of matters as regards the proposed appointment of a veterinary inspector. *Reason for meeting.*

Thereafter the meeting discussed the matter, and agreed that the Executive Committee should carefully consider any suggestions which may be made, with a view to an understanding being come to with the several District Committees on the subject, and the chairman was authorised to express this view to the conference. *Discussion.*

APPENDIX II.

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

CONFERENCE *re* PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

26th January, 1910. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 26th January, 1910, being a Conference between the Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee of the County Council and of Representatives of the several District Committees of the County.

Present—

As representing the Executive Committee—

Hugh Reid. | Provost Macleay.
John D. Scott. | William Templeton.
Provost Davidson.

As representing the Upper Ward District Committee—

J. P. Baird. | James C. Hope Vere.
Nathaniel Gold. | C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.
James H Fenton.
Along with A. W. Paterson, District Clerk.

As representing the Middle Ward District Committee—

John C. Burns. | William Love.
George Fraser. | William Neilson.
Robert Lambie. | James Prentice.
William Strang.
Along with W. E. Whyte, District Clerk.

As representing the Lower Ward District Committee—

William Speirs. | James Stewart.
Thomas Fulton. | William Y. Abel.

Chairman. Mr. John D. Scott was appointed Chairman of the Conference.

Remit from County Council. The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting an excerpt from the minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, held on 21st December, 1909, which was in the following terms, viz :—

"With reference to the minutes of the Executive Committee, of date 8th December; of the sub-committee thereof, of dates 24th November and 1st December; and the minutes of the conferences with representatives of the District Committees, of dates 24th November and 15th December, Mr. Hamilton moved that the salary of the veterinary inspector to be appointed be fixed at £300 per annum, which was seconded by Mr. David J. Black.

"Mr. John D. Scott moved the approval of the minutes of the Executive Committee, which was seconded by Mr. J. P. Baird.

"After discussion, and a vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted against Mr. Hamilton's motion, which was accordingly declared lost.

"Thereafter Mr. Fraser moved, by way of amendment to Mr Scott's motion for the approval of the minutes, that the matter be recommitted with a view to a further conference with the District Committees, which was seconded by Mr. Black.

"On a vote having been taken, by way of a show of hands, as for and against Mr. Fraser's amendment, a majority voted for it, and it was accordingly declared carried."

Proposed appointment of veterinary inspector.

The chairman, having explained the position in which the question of the proposed appointment of an inspector now stood, invited an expression of views from the representatives of the several authorities present, and any suggestions with a view to a satisfactory understanding being come to on the subject.

Remit to County Clerk.

After discussion, and several suggestions and proposals having been made, the Clerk, with the approval of the conference, agreed to prepare and submit to an adjourned conference a memorandum containing information as to the duties which would fall to be performed by an inspector, if appointed under the Diseases of Animals Acts and the Public Health Acts, and also suggestions as to the basis of an arrangement between the Executive Committee and the District Committees.

The County Clerk also undertook to obtain information from Local Authorities in England and Scotland who had appointed whole-time veterinary inspectors.

APPENDIX III.

"Bourtreehill,
"Hamilton, 15th February, 1910.

"THOMAS MUNRO, Esq.,
"County Clerk.

"DEAR SIR,

"JOHNE'S DISEASE.

"About the beginning of this year I was consulted by a client regarding some uncommon disease which had made its appearance amongst his dairy stock about four years ago, and from that to the present time he calculated that he had, to all intents and purposes, lost at least twenty cattle through it.

"On visiting the farm I found two heifers, one 3 and the other 4 years old, suffering from the disease complained of. From the history of the outbreak and my examination of these animals I formed the opinion that they were suffering from a chronic form of bacterial enteritis known as 'Johne's Disease,' and as this disease is considered incurable, we decided to have the animals destroyed. The *post mortem* appearances strengthened my suspicions, and with the assistance of Dr. Wilson, Medical Officer of Health, and Dr. Paterson, County Bacteriologist, microscopical and biological examinations were made with parts of the diseased tissues, the results of which confirmed my diagnosis.

"Two microscope slides, one from a scraping and the other from a section of the diseased bowels, were sent for examination to Sir John M'Fadyean, who reported that there was not the least doubt that the case from which the specimens were taken was one of Johne's Disease.

"This disease, which is a chronic bacterial enteritis of cattle, was first recognised by Johne, a German veterinarian, in 1895, and since that date its presence has been demonstrated in the herds of many of the Continental countries.

"In 1905 Sir John M'Fadyean, of the London Veterinary College, reported a number of cases of this disease in England, and stated as his opinion that the disease was a comparatively common one in Great Britain. No cases have been recorded of its existence in Scotland so far as I am aware, but I feel confident, from observations at the abbatoir and information obtained elsewhere, that its presence is by no means uncommon in the herds of this country.

"The disease is caused by a small acid-fast bacillus which is present in large numbers in the lining membrane of the bowels of affected animals, the ages of which usually range from 3 years old and upwards. The earliest symptoms of its presence is loss of condition of the affected animal in spite of a good appetite and a plentiful supply of food. Profuse and persistent diarrhœa soon sets in, and although this may be temporarily checked by the administration of drugs, the animal becomes emaciated, and sooner or later either dies from exhaustion or has to be destroyed.

"M'Fadyean, in his report, says 'that the spread of this disease must be regarded as one which results from infection and from infection only. During the advanced stages of the disease large numbers of bacillus are voided with the fæces, and in ordinary circumstances there are ample opportunities for infection from this source. Pastures and other foods, as well as the drinking water, may become seriously contaminated. At the present moment there is no knowledge with regard to the resistance of the bacilli outside the body, or to the length of time for which a contaminated pasture may be dangerous. To prevent the spread of this disease, therefore, segregation and rigid isolation of all diseased or suspected animals should be practised, and the fæces passed by these animals destroyed. The question whether the disease ought to be scheduled so as to bring it under the provisions of the Contagious Diseases of Animals Acts deserves serious consideration.'

"Since dealing with the aforementioned cases I have examined, *post mortem*, six cases of this disease at the abattoir, in all of which the characteristic condition of the mucous membrane of the bowels was present. Unfortunately, I was unable to obtain any life history of these cases, but a microscopical examination of the bowel proved conclusively that they were also affected with Johne's disease.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"D. HAMILTON."

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 9th March, 1910, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed in connection with the proposed appointment of a Veterinary Inspector. 9th March, 1910.

Present—

Provost Davidson. | Hugh Reid.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell. | John D. Scott.
William Templeton.

Mr. John D. Scott, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr. George Green and Provost Macleay. *Apologies for absence.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 26th January, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted a report which he had prepared in accordance with the remit made to him at the Conference between representatives of the Executive Committee and of the several District Committees, held on 26th January last, which would be submitted to a further Conference to be held later in the same day. *Report by Clerk.*

The meeting, after discussion, agreed, with a view to meeting the views of the District Committees, that the appointment of a County Veterinary Inspector should be made on the lines of the appointment of the County Medical Officer, that is to say, that the appointment should rest with the County Council, unless the Council agree to remit it to the Executive Committee or to a sub-committee.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

CONFERENCE *RE* PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

9th March, 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 9th March, 1910, being a Conference between the Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee of the County Council and of representatives of the several District Committees of the County.

Present—

As representing the Executive Committee—

Provost Davidson. | Hugh Reid.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell. | John D. Scott.
William Templeton.

As representing the Upper Ward District Committee—

John Allison. | C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.
J. P. Baird. | James C. Hope Vere.

As representing the Middle Ward District Committee—

John C. Burns. | William Love.
George Fraser. | William Neilson.
Robert Lambie. | James Prentice.

As representing the Lower Ward District Committee—

William Y. Abel. | Thomas Fulton.
Walter C. B. Christie. | William Speirs.

Chairman. Mr. John D. Scott was appointed chairman of the conference.

Notice calling conference. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the conference.

Minutes of last conference. There were submitted to the meeting the minutes of the conference held on 26th January last, which had been printed and sent to each of the representatives appointed by the several authorities interested.

Report by County Clerk. The Clerk submitted to the meeting a report which he had prepared under the remit made to him at the last conference, and which had also been printed and circulated, copy of which report forms an appendix to this minute.

Committee to consider qualifications, &c. After discussion, the meeting appointed the following committee to consider as to the qualifications which the Veterinary Inspector should possess, the duties which would devolve upon him under the Diseases of Animals Acts and the Public Health Acts, the emoluments to be attached to the appointment, and to report to a further conference, viz. :—

J. C. Burns. | George Fraser.
Walter C. B. Christie. | Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Provost Davidson. | John D. Scott.
James H. Fenton. | William Speirs.
James C. Hope Vere.

Mr. Scott to be chairman of the committee, and three a quorum.

9th March, 1910.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT BY THE COUNTY CLERK ON THE PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF A COUNTY VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

I have carefully considered the matter remitted to me at the recent conference between representatives of the Executive Committee under the Diseases of Animals Acts and of the District Committees, and beg to report as follows:—

On 30th June, 1909, when reporting upon the provisions of the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill and the relative Tuberculosis Order of the Board of Agriculture, I submitted a Memorandum containing the following observations and recommendations, which were to the same effect as those contained in a Report which was submitted simultaneously by the County Medical Officer, and which received the approval of a Joint Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee, the Public Health Committee, and the Parliamentary Bills Committee, viz.:—

(1) Appointment of Veterinary Inspector.—If the Bill passes, the carrying out of its provisions and of those of the relative Tuberculosis Order will, in a county such as Lanarkshire, call for the appointment of a Veterinary Surgeon, who will require to devote his whole time to the duties. As matters stand, separate appointments might be made by the County Council and the several District Committees acting in their respective capacities as Local Authorities under the Diseases of Animals Acts and the Public Health Acts respectively. This might lead to overlapping of duties, greater expense, and less efficiency. It is, therefore, suggested that the principle applying to the appointment of County Medical Officers of Health and County Sanitary Inspectors under the Local Government Act, 1889, should apply. In that event, the County Council would appoint a Veterinary Inspector for the whole county, whose services the District Committee could command if they so desired. The expense would, in such a case, be apportioned to the several assessment accounts liable therein in due proportion.

As the recommendation was unanimously approved of by the County Council, it is to be presumed that, had the Bill (which, as is known, was ultimately not proceeded with) or its main provisions received legislative effect, an effort would have been made to comply with its requirements, in accordance with the suggestion above set forth.

Under the Bill, it would have been necessary for each of the District Committees to have appointed a Veterinary Inspector, and it may be assumed that, in the Middle Ward of the County at least, if not in the other Wards as well, it would have been found necessary to appoint a whole-time officer. Further, while one Inspector might not be sufficient to overtake all the work devolving upon the District Committee of the Middle Ward, it might be that neither of the other Wards could fully employ the whole time of an Inspector. The desirableness of co-operation such as was suggested, in the interests both of efficiency and economy, is therefore manifest, and it is accentuated by the fact that the appointment of a whole-time Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts has, for some considerable time, been advocated by the Executive Committee.

Notwithstanding the fact that the legislative proposals which would have placed upon the Public Health Authorities the duty of appointing Veterinary Inspectors have been postponed—for it may be taken to be only a postponement—the District Committees are apparently prepared, under their existing powers, to proceed with practically the same class of work that would have devolved upon them had the Bill passed. It has not been suggested that, in continuing a beneficial practice that has been in successful operation for some time, they are exceeding their legal powers. Similarly, the Executive Committee have now definitely resolved that it is their duty, in the interests of efficiency of administration and of the agricultural community and the Veterinary profession, to obtain the services of a whole-time officer.

The question therefore arises, is there any reason why an arrangement which was feasible and which was generally approved when it was thought an obligation to make appointments such as those referred to was to be imposed on the respective Local Authorities should not be carried out when the Local Authorities are prepared to do voluntarily what they assumed they would have to do compulsorily? This does not mean that the arrangement referred to should at once be put into full and actual operation. For reasons to be hereafter stated, it may not be opportune to do so at this stage, but what is desiderated is that any steps which are to be taken now, such as the appointment of an Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts, which has been agreed upon, should have regard to the eventual position in the County if a permanent veterinary staff is to be set up.

It is submitted with some confidence that an intelligent anticipation of a prospective and final arrangement on the lines indicated would obviate difficulties that may very conceivably arise in the future if a restricted or partial view of the situation is now taken.

In order to bring the point to an issue, let it be asked what would have been the requirements of the County as a whole had the Bill and Order of last session been passed? It is submitted that the position would have been as follows:—

1. The Executive Committee would, in view of their new duties under the Tuberculosis Order, have found it absolutely necessary to appoint at least one whole-time Veterinary Inspector.

2. The District Committee of the Middle Ward would, it seems apparent, have been required to appoint at least one whole-time Veterinary Inspector, or to arrange with the County Council and the other District Committees for the joint-services of a whole-time officer, or officers.

3. The District Committees of the Upper and Lower Wards would have had either to appoint, or to arrange for sharing the services of, a whole-time officer, or to regularly engage the partial services of Veterinary Surgeons to act as Inspectors under the Bill.

If these requirements are correctly stated, do they in any way require to be modified in view of the fact that the Bill and Order are not actually in force? It is submitted that they do not, except, perhaps, as regards the time for putting them in full operation.

Beyond the fact that, as a matter of principle, the services of a whole-time Inspector or Inspectors would be a desirable addition to the County staff of officials, it is, however, unnecessary at this stage to go. The number of veterinary officials and their relation to the several Local Authorities interested in the appointments, and who, it must be remembered, have each an independent statutory existence and correspondingly independent powers, are questions of detail which must be settled on a consideration of the extent of the duties to be performed and the financial relations of the several authorities.

Meantime, let it be assumed, for the sake merely of illustration, that a staff of two permanent Inspectors would be sufficient to overtake the whole duties of the respective Local Authorities.

The duties would be generally as follows:—

(*a*) Diseases of Animals Acts. Those now performed by the three Veterinary Inspectors partially employed by the Executive Committee.

(*b*) Duties under the Public Health Acts, including (1) annual inspection of dairy herds; (2) reports in cases of suspected infectious disease in dairies or milk shops, and (3) meat inspection, though this is not yet determined as being a regular duty falling on the Veterinary Inspector.

The Executive Committee have agreed that they can economically engage a whole-time officer for the duties devolving upon them under the Diseases of Animals Acts. They at the same time state that, while from the financial point of view such an arrangement would be as economical as it would from the efficiency standpoint be desirable, it is the fact that, owing to the nature of the duties, depending, as these do, upon the vagaries of disease in animals, there would be every likelihood of the officer appointed by them having unoccupied time, which might be usefully taken advantage of by the District Committees. On the other hand, it is pointed out that, again in view of the fact that the extent of the Inspector's work depends on a matter that cannot be regulated, namely, outbreaks of diseases, it is necessary that the Executive Committee should have the first call on his services, and further that, while in the ordinary course, as past experience shows, much of the Inspector's time would be available for other duties, an outbreak of disease in epidemic form, which is now fortunately rare, would result in his time being fully occupied during the prevalence of the epidemic.

For these reasons, the Executive Committee suggest that they should bear practically the whole cost of the Inspector, who would be either wholly or primarily charged with their work. There is no undue liberality in this suggestion, because it is obviously to the advantage of the Executive Committee that their officer should be always usefully employed in professional duties.

Assuming, therefore, that the proportion of the Inspector's time available for the work of the District Committees would, under normal conditions, be so considerable as to make it possible to overtake the whole work in the County, with the assistance of one other permanent Inspector, what adjustment, financial and otherwise, would it be necessary to make as between the several authorities?

First, as to financial adjustments. Under the scheme suggested the whole cost of the Inspectors would fall to be aggregated. From the total amount would be deducted the sum to be paid by the Executive Committee, being the whole salary of the Inspector engaged by them, with an allowance for travelling expenses. The difference would be apportioned on the three Wards, either according to valuation, number of dairy herds (or on a combination of both factors), or on such other criteria as might be determined.

It may be here appropriately stated that, should it at any time be found that the work could not be overtaken by the staff suggested, further assistance could be obtained by appointing temporary assistants in connection with the inspection of dairy herds. Such temporary provision would, it is suggested, be in any case the most appropriate method of overtaking the balance of the work, which could not be performed by the permanent officials. The work falls to be carried out only during certain parts of the year, and differing from the ordinary duty of the Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts, which requires not only professional skill but wide experience in all classes of disease, has reference mainly to one particular disease, the enquiry into which can be regularised under the County Medical Officer and principal Inspector. It

could, therefore, be performed capably by any Inspector who has the ordinary professional attainments.

Under the scheme outlined, any additional charge for temporary assistance would be put against the general account in the first instance, and subsequently apportioned to the several District Public Health Assessments.

Second.—Relations of Veterinary Staff to existing Departments.—Under the suggested scheme, the Veterinary Inspector to be entrusted with the duty of carrying out the provisions of the Diseases of Animals Acts would, in addition, be called on to perform duties under the Public Health Acts—that is, he would be the servant of two separate sets of Local Authorities, viz.:—(*a*) the County Council, through its Executive Committee, as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts, and (*b*) the District Committees as Local Authorities under the Public Health Acts. This dual responsibility raises a point of difficulty which, however, will, it is confidently submitted, be found to be imaginary rather than real. Difficulty could only arise if, on the one hand, the officials concerned in the common duty were to act capriciously or unreasonably towards each other, and on the other, if the Local Authority parted with its absolute control over the Inspector or Inspectors to be appointed.

In connection with this aspect of the question, I have given careful consideration to the suggestion that the Veterinary Inspector to be appointed under the Diseases of Animals Acts should be considered, in regard to his work under these Acts, as part of the Public Health Department. There are serious legal and administrative difficulties in the way of that proposal, but apart from these there seem to be strong reasons of expediency in favour of retaining the status of the Veterinary Inspector as a responsible officer, subject to the immediate and direct supervision of the Executive Committee. The Acts impose most onerous responsibilities on the Inspector, and, in the interests of his own continued efficiency and public standing, and relation to the farming community, he should be in no degree relieved of them.

I have made enquiry into the practice of other Local Authorities, and, although the circumstances of most other districts differ from Lanarkshire, owing to the existence in this County of the special provisions for notification of all cases of sudden deaths of cattle, which accentuates, in my opinion, the need for the Inspector's independent status, I find that in almost every case it corresponds with the practice followed in this County. Further, I believe the view that I have expressed to be in consonance with that of the Board of Agriculture.

On the other hand, I see no reason against, but, on the contrary, many reasons in favour of, the Inspector to be appointed under the Diseases of Animals Acts being treated as an official of the Public Health Department, in respect of the duties which he can perform under the Public Health Acts during such times as he is not engaged in his other capacity. In short, he would, when his time permitted, act as part of the County Medical Officer's staff. I may add that there is warrant for this suggested arrangement in the practice of other Local Authorities, and the dual arrangement seems to work satisfactorily and without friction.

If reassurance on this point were needed, it might be found in the fact that, according to long-established practice, the Veterinary Inspectors under the Diseases of Animals Acts, in practically every case of disease or apprehended disease that occurs, take their instructions from the Executive Committee directly through the County Clerk—and have to report immediately to that official. Whatever new arrangement may be come to, the continuance of the practice referred to would be necessary. Accordingly, the Executive Committee, through the County Clerk, would always have the means of checking the time occupied by the Inspector in work under the Diseases of Animals Acts, which would secure if any attempt to the contrary were made, which is improbable, that the time of the Inspector for duty under the Public Health Acts was not stinted.

The position of the other permanent Inspector, if one were appointed, would be (subject to the arrangement suggested below) that he would be solely an official of the Public Health Department. The same would apply to temporary assistants if appointed.

The illustrative scheme above suggested assumes that the appointments of the Inspectors will be by the County Council, either directly or through their appropriate Committee, and that thereafter they would be adopted by the several District Committees. This is, however, not an integral part of the scheme, and it would be not only competent, but practicable, for the District Committees to appoint, in the first instance, the other Inspector or Inspectors, whether permanent or temporary, who could, if that were desirable, be adopted by the Executive Committee as Assistant Inspectors under the Diseases of Animals Acts. The financial adjustments would present no difficulty. The first scheme would be following the practice in Lanarkshire as regards the appointment of the County Medical Officer and his assistants, the second would follow the Lanarkshire practice in connection with the appointment of Sanitary Inspectors.

There are two disadvantages which the adoption of the second scheme would seem to involve, viz.:—

(1) Whereas each district has at present one principal Sanitary Inspector appointed by each individual District Committee, it might, as regards Veterinary Inspectors, be necessary for two or more of the District Committees to combine in the appointment, for it has hitherto been assumed that the extent of the work in the Upper and Lower Wards at least will not call for the appointment of separate whole-time Veterinary Inspectors, and this will be the less necessary if the services which the Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts can afford for Public Health work will, as it is anticipated, be considerable; and

(2) Whereas under the first scheme the whole Veterinary Staff would be available throughout the County for the purposes both of the Diseases of Animal Acts and the Public Health Acts, the services of the Inspectors, if appointed under the second scheme, would only be available each in his respective district, unless he were appointed also by the other District Committees *quoad* Public Health work.

If Veterinary Inspectors are to be appointed primarily for work requiring to be done under the Public Health Acts, their duties under the Diseases of Animals Acts might be restricted to periods during which the regular Inspector under these Acts was absent on leave or through illness, and to such other occasions as might be approved by the County Medical Officer.

An estimate of the expense of a scheme such as has been outlined, and of the apportionment thereof to the respective County and District Assessment Accounts, will be submitted as relative hereto.

What I have said has reference mainly to what would be the position in the event of the County Council and the District Committees proceeding at once to carry into effect a comprehensive scheme having the elements of finality as regards veterinary appointments for the County. I take the liberty, however, of suggesting whether it might not be a prudent course to proceed with caution in this important matter, as to which prospective legislation may introduce new elements.

I am prompted to make the suggestion for another and more immediate reason. At present the work of the Executive Committee is carried out by three Veterinary Surgeons in private practice. The duties and the time occupied in the performance of their duties varies according to the state of disease in the County from time to time. Further, it is impossible to say with accuracy what time would be occupied by a single permanent officer who would have to undertake the work now performed by three inspectors each residing at centres selected

as convenient for the districts under their charge. It might be found that the need for getting from place to place, sometimes in remote parts of the County, will occupy a large part of his time.

My belief, based as it is on a general knowledge of the details of the work, is, however, that it will be found that during periods when the occurrence of disease is normal, the Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts will have very considerable time available for other duties. The test of experience over a less or more lengthened period can, however, alone enable the local authorities to ascertain the value of the Inspector's services in connection with Public Health work. As I have said, my belief is that the extent of these services will be considerable, and, in this connection, I point to the possibility of the work of dairy inspection, which, in contradistinction to work under the Diseases of Animals Acts, is regular, being so mapped out beforehand, that it could, to some appreciable extent at least during certain seasons of the year, be undertaken by the Inspector at times when and in districts where his duties under the Diseases of Animals Acts called him. Further, it is known that there would be whole days and sometime a series of days when, owing to the absence of disease, the Inspector would be wholly free for duty under the Public Health Acts.

Might it not, therefore, be prudent to delay the appointment of other permanent inspectors under the Public Health Acts, so as to permit of the District Committees ascertaining, by practical experience, the use to which the inspector, under the Diseases of Animals Act, would be to them. During the experimental period the work which he was not able to perform could be overtaken by temporary inspectors, as at present. This course, if followed, would enable the respective authorities to estimate more definitely, when the time came for them to decide, the extent of the permanent staff which would be required. Either of the alternative methods of arranging the staff could then be adopted.

The financial position if this course was adopted would, in effect, be that during the experimental period the District Committees would be charged with the travelling and out-of-pocket expenses of the inspector only when engaged in Public Health work.

The importance of the subject is such that I have had to deal with it at what may be considered undue length, and I am further conscious that in expressing my personal views as freely as I have done I may have perhaps taken a somewhat wide view of the remit to me.

I append as relative to this Memorandum—

(1) Statement of Information received from other Local Authorities in regard to the appointment of Veterinary Inspectors.

(2) Additional Notes as to the duties requiring to be performed by Veterinary Inspectors under the Diseases of Animals Acts and the Public Health Acts, &c.

With regard to the Notes last mentioned, I would refer particularly to the statistics on page 13, showing the number of dairy herds examined in the several districts during the two years 1907-08-09, and also to the *resumé* of the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907, pages 11-12. The effect of that Order is, as has already been pointed out, to place Lanarkshire in an exceptional position as compared with any other Local Authority in England or Scotland. Only in one county, viz., Hampshire, has a similar Order been obtained, but it has not yet been put into operation, and so far the Veterinary work done in that county is performed by Veterinary Surgeons engaged in private practice, who are paid by fees.

So far as I have been able to ascertain no English County Council has yet appointed a whole-time Veterinary Inspector.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *4th March*, 1910.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF VETERINARY INSPECTORS.

STATEMENT OF INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

ENGLAND—

LONDON (County Council)—

Diseases of Animals Acts—

3 Veterinary Inspectors—salary, £500 each.
3 Additional Inspectors, at salaries from £150 to £215.

Public Health Acts—

2 Veterinary Inspectors for the examination of cows for tuberculosis of the udder—each receiving a salary of £300.

The inspection of meat is not undertaken by the County Council.

The Inspectors under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts work under the direction of the Chief Officer of the Public Control Department, and those appointed in connection with the examination of dairy cows are responsible to the Medical Officer of Health.

LIVERPOOL (City)—

2 Veterinary Inspectors—

Chief Inspector—salary, £550 per annum, with house, coal, and gas: travelling expenses, £1 11s. 6d. per day personal allowance, with railway, &c., fares.

Assistant Inspector—salary, £170, with house, coal, and gas: travelling expenses, £1 1s. per day personal allowance, with travelling, &c., fares.

The Veterinary Inspectors are independent Officers directly responsible to the Corporation. They do not take part in meat inspection unless in cases of special interest.

SHEFFIELD (City)—

1 Veterinary Inspector—salary, £400 per annum.

Inspector's duties are to perform all work required under the Diseases of Animals Acts, the Public Health Acts, and Private Acts.

In addition there are 2 Assistant Veterinary Inspectors, each receiving a salary of £150 per annum.

Although the Veterinary Inspector acts generally under the control of the Medical Officer of Health, he carries out his duties under the Diseases of Animals Acts on his own initiative, and reports directly to the Local Authority.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE (City)—

Veterinary Inspector—salary, £300 per annum, rising by increments of £25 per annum up to £400 per annum.

Inspector's duties include work under the Diseases of Animals Acts the inspection of dairy herds, the inspection of meat, fish, fruit, provisions, &c., which includes foreign meat, &c.

Inspector is directly responsible to the Local Authority for his duties under the Diseases of Animals Acts, and is not supervised by any official of the Corporation. With regard to his work under the Public Health Acts, he co-operates with the Medical Officer of Health, but is responsible to the Sanitary Committee, to whom he makes his reports, and from whom he receives his instructions.

SCOTLAND—

GLASGOW (City)—

Diseases of Animals Acts—

1 Veterinary Inspector—salary, £500, which includes any assistance from Inspector's staff. Veterinary Inspector is allowed to engage in private practice.

Public Health Acts—

1 Chief Inspector at £450.

3 Assistants at salaries of from £160 to £250.

In addition, there are 17 Meat Inspectors with wages ranging from 30s. to 55s. per week.

Veterinary Surgeon's Department is independent of that of the Medical Officer of Health, and the Veterinary Inspector is an independent officer directly responsible to the Corporation. Only in connection with the carrying out of the Foreign Meat Regulations of the Local Government Board does he act in co-operation with the Medical Officer of Health.

EDINBURGH (City)—

Diseases of Animals Acts—

1 Veterinary Inspector, whose whole time is not devoted to the duties—salary, £200 per annum.

Public Health Acts—

4 Veterinary Inspectors—salaries being from £125 to £200 per annum.

DUNDEE (City)—

1 Veterinary Inspector—salary, £175 per annum.

Inspector's duty is to perform all veterinary work required by the Corporation, including the systematic inspection of all cows in dairies within the city. Veterinary Inspector acts under the direction of the Medical Officer of Health.

The duties of the Veterinary Inspector include all work under the Diseases of Animals Acts, as well as the administration of meat and markets and treatment of the stud of horses belonging to the Corporation. His work is under the supervision of the Medical Officer of Health. The Medical Officer, however, does not hold any appointment under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

Unless where otherwise stated, the Veterinary Inspectors are required to devote their whole time to the duties of their office.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

ADDITIONAL NOTES ON THE PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF A VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

These Notes are prepared with a view to informing the members of the Committee as to the manner in which the Diseases of Animals Acts and relative Orders are administered in the County, and as to the duties which devolve upon the various Officers of the Local Authority.

The district of the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Act comprises the whole county, including the following burghs and police burghs, viz.:—(1) Coatbridge, (2) Lanark, (3) Govan, (4) Partick, (5) Motherwell, (6) Wishaw, and (7) Biggar.

The valuation of the landward portion of the County is as follows, viz.:—

Upper Ward, ...	£313,359
Middle Ward, ...	1,155,034
Lower Ward, ...	272,649
	£1,741,042

The valuation of the burghs is as follows, viz.:—

Coatbridge, ...	£206,138
Lanark, ...	28,398
Govan,...	490,581
Partick, ...	410,727
Motherwell, ...	188,260
Wishaw, ...	87,734
Biggar, ...	7,456
	£1,419,294

Police Inspectors.

The Diseases of Animals Act of 1894 provides that every person having in his possession an animal affected with *disease shall, with all practicable speed, give notice of the fact to a Constable of a Police Force for the District wherein the affected animal is.

The effective administration of the Diseases of Animals Acts must therefore depend to a very large extent upon the co-operation of the Constabulary, every member of which may be said to be an Officer of the Local Authority.

* The expression "disease" means cattle plague (that is to say, rinderpest, or the disease commonly called cattle plague), contagious pleuro-pneumonia of cattle (in this Act called pleuro-pneumonia), foot and mouth disease, sheep pox, sheep scab, or swine fever (that is to say, the disease known as typhoid fever of swine, soldier purples, red disease, hog cholera or swine plague), epizootic lymphangitis, glanders or farcy, and anthrax.

The Act of 1894, Section 35 (1) also provides that every Local Authority shall appoint so many Inspectors and other Officers as they may think necessary for the execution and enforcement of the Act, and shall assign to those Inspectors and Officers such duties, salaries, and allowances, and may delegate to any of them such authority and discretion as to the Local Authority seem fit.

In this County the Local Authority have appointed to be Inspectors under the Act the Chief Constable and Deputy Chief Constable of the County, as well as the Superintendents of Police, each of whom acts within his own district. They have also appointed the Chief Constable of the Burgh of Coatbridge to be an Inspector for that Burgh.

The Acts and Orders confer upon Police Inspectors important powers and duties, amongst which may be mentioned—

(1) Reporting to the Local Authority the occurrence or outbreak of any disease;

(2) The serving of notices upon the owner of any animal affected, or suspected of being affected, with disease;

(3) The sending of copies of such notices to the Board of Agriculture and to the Clerk to the Local Authority;

(4) The carrying out of the provisions of the Acts and Orders relating to the disinfection and cleansing of premises;

(5) The granting of licences with respect to the movement of animals in certain cases;

(6) The attendance at sheep dippings where considered necessary, and receiving returns and declarations as to dipping;

(7) The withdrawal of Notices of Restriction when places are declared free from disease; and

(8) Reporting alleged contraventions of the Acts and Orders.

Veterinary Inspectors.

The Local Authority is also called upon to appoint, at least, one Veterinary Inspector, and to appoint so many other Veterinary Inspectors as the Board of Agriculture may direct.

There are, at present, three Veterinary Inspectors in the County, viz.:—

(1)	Upper Ward (Northern District), ...	John Jarvie, V.S., Carluke.
(2)	Do. (Southern District), ...	W. W. M'Quat, V.S., Biggar.
(3)	Middle and Lower Wards, ...	D. Hamilton, V.S., Hamilton.

The duties of Veterinary Inspectors relate principally to—

(1) The examination of animals and carcases which are affected or alleged to be affected with disease;

(2) The certification of disease where, in their opinion, disease exists;

(3) The preparation of reports, giving detailed information in each case;

(4) The application of mallein to horses where necessary, and the fixing of compensation in cases of proposed slaughter;

(5) The superintendence of precautionary measures relating to the movement of diseased carcases and their destruction, as well as the disinfection and cleansing of the premises.

The Veterinary Inspector is directly responsible to the Local Authority for the manner in which he discharges his duties, and upon his report depends the subsequent action of the Local Authority.

In connection with prosecutions for alleged contraventions, the Veterinary Inspector, when called upon, is required to attend the Court and give evidence in support of his certificate. When required he also attends meetings of the Executive Committee for the purpose of giving information in cases of importance.

The certificate by a Veterinary Inspector of the existence of disease is held to be final in Courts of Law.

The term "Inspector" under the Acts means either a Veterinary Inspector or Police Inspector, so that a Veterinary Inspector, in addition to his duties of Veterinary Inspector, may be called upon to perform any of the duties pertaining to that of Police Inspector.

With regard to the manner in which cases are notified and dealt with in the County, it has been the practice that information is given by the owner or person in charge of the animal affected, or suspected of being affected, with disease to the Police, who notify the County Clerk, who communicates at once with the Veterinary Inspector.

In certain cases where it is imperative that a veterinary examination should take place with as little delay as possible, the Police Inspector may communicate directly with the Veterinary Inspector, who, as soon thereafter as possible, communicates his proceedings to the County Clerk. It may, however, be stated that, as an almost invariable rule, the Veterinary Inspector gets his instructions directly from the County Clerk, to whom he reports the results of his examinations.

Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907.

It is right that the Committee should be informed of the provisions of this Order, as it places this County in an exceptional position as regards the administration of the Diseases of Animals Acts, and as its operation has had the effect of increasing materially the amount of veterinary work requiring to be performed.

Prior to this Order coming into force owners or persons in charge were obliged only to report cases of disease or suspected disease amongst cattle. Frequently, however, the owner or person in charge did not realise that the animal was suffering from one or other of the scheduled diseases, and, if the animal died, the carcase was, as a rule, buried without any of the precautions being taken which are required to be taken under the Acts or Orders, and without the case being notified to the Local Authority.

If, however, a second death occurred amongst the stock a Local Veterinary Surgeon was usually called in, who, if he suspected the animal to be suffering from any of the scheduled diseases, reported the case to the Police.

The Local Authority would then instruct their Veterinary Inspector to make an examination, and on inquiry being made into the history of the case it was not infrequently ascertained that there had previously occurred sudden deaths amongst the stock, which had been attributed to some cause other than Anthrax or the other scheduled diseases—such as overfeeding.

The Local Authority were also informed that in some cases when a cow appeared to be in a dying condition the owner cut its throat and sold the carcase to a butcher for what it was worth. Such a practice was most reprehensible, but the Local Authority had practically no remedy.

In these circumstances it appeared to the Local Authority that until owners were obliged to report all cases of sudden illness or deaths amongst their stock, cases of disease, and especially Anthrax, would pass undetected, and that the diseased carcases would be either buried without the necessary precautions being taken, or disposed of otherwise to the public danger.

The Executive Committee accordingly made representations to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries on the subject, and while the Board were impressed with the views of the Committee they did not at first see their way to make an Order imposing upon the owners of stock the duty of notifying cases of sudden death, an obligation which, the Board pointed out, was unprecedented. The Executive Committee, however, were persistent in their efforts to obtain the power sought for, with the result that the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, on receiving additional information which the Committee were enabled to submit to them showing the necessity for such powers being conferred upon the Local Authority, made the Order which is entitled the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order of 1907.

The Order provides for the notification of all illnesses amongst cattle except (1) illness produced by or consequent on accident or calving, or (2) where the illness is certified by a Veterinary Surgeon as not being one or other of the scheduled diseases.

During the two years subsequent to the Order coming into force 450 cases were, in terms of it, reported to the Local Authority, and these, with few exceptions, involved a visit and examination by one or other of the Local Authority's Veterinary Inspectors.

During the two years prior to the Order coming into force 21 cases of anthrax were reported, while during the two years following the date of its coming into operation 53 cases of anthrax were detected.

Although the primary object of the Order is to assist in the detection and prevention of the spread of anthrax, it has undoubtedly been effective in preventing diseased carcases being exposed and sold for human consumption.

The satisfactory results attained under the Order are fully appreciated by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, who have directed the attention of other Local Authorities in England and Scotland to its satisfactory operation, and the Board of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland have also been in communication with the Executive Committee on the subject of it.

Veterinary Work requiring to be done under the Public Health Acts.

The only provisions of this Act which call for reference are contained in Sections 43 and 60.

Section 43, which deals with the question of the inspection and destruction of unsound meat, &c., provides that "any Veterinary Surgeon approved for the purposes of this section by the Local Authority" may enter premises for the purpose of inspection or examination, &c.

It is believed that in each of the three districts of this County the enforcement of the provisions of this section has been carried out by the Sanitary Inspectors under the direction of the County Medical Officer, and that only in one or two cases has it been necessary to call in the aid of a Veterinary Surgeon.

Section 60, which deals with the question of the inspection of dairies and power to prohibit a supply of milk, provides that the Medical Officer shall, "if accompanied by a Veterinary Surgeon approved" by the District Committee, examine the animals in any dairy from which it is suspected there is being supplied milk to which may be attributed the outbreak of any infectious disease.

The enforcement of the provisions of the above sections have not hitherto, it is understood, entailed more than the occasional employment of a Veterinary Surgeon.

In addition, the services of a Veterinary Inspector might be useful to the District Committees in connection with claims arising out of accidents on the highways involving injuries to horses and other animals, and also claims for alleged loss sustained from cattle drinking from streams into which sewage is discharged from Drainage Districts within the jurisdiction of the District Committees.

Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops Orders.

Under the Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops Order of 1885, a Local Authority (*i.e.*, a District Committee) are authorised to make Regulations for, amongst other purposes, "the inspection of cattle in dairies." with a view to the detection of disease, and by the amending Order of 1899 the term "disease" now includes "such disease of the udder as shall be certified by a Veterinary Surgeon to be tubercular."

While neither the Public Health Acts nor the Dairies, &c., Orders require a Local Authority to make anything in the nature of a systematic inspection of dairy herds, such inspection has for several years past been carried out by the District Committees of this County, and in this connection much good work has been done.

The following statement prepared by the County Medical Officer shows the number of dairy cows inspected in the several districts of the County during the years 1907-08 and 1908-09:—

Ward.	Year.	Herds.	Cows.	Suspected Tubercle.			Cows with Abnormal Conditions of Udder.							Cows with Normal Udders.
				Samples of Milk.	Result of Inoculation.		Tubercle.	Mammitis.	Eruption on Teats.	Simple Induration.	Indurated Teats.	Atrophy.	Total.	
					+	−								
Upper, - -	1907-08	150	2,735	20	2	18	2	5	4	4	...	20	53	2,682
Do., - -	1908-09	616	10,181	66	6	60	6	114	17	200	28	312	742	9,439
Middle, - -	1907-08	934	18,621	84	19	59	19	37	88	323	27	669	1,188	17,433
Do., - -	1908-09	945	19,025	180	32	48	32	42	57	432	28	344	935	18,088
Lower, - -	1907-08	121	2,989	17	6	11	6	14	7	42	1	74	162	2,827
Do., - -	1908-09	119	2,859	22	8	14	8	27	5	55	5	82	196	2,663

The following is a statement of the fees and expenses paid to Veterinary Inspectors by the County Council and District Committees for work done during the year from 15th May, 1908, to 15th May, 1909, which was as follows, viz.:—

(1) By the County Council as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts, ...				£530	9	5
(2) By District Committee of Upper Ward—to Veterinary Surgeons—Fees and Expenses,	£73	3	11			
(3) By District Committee of Middle Ward, ...	208	6	6			
(4) By District Committee of Lower Ward—Fees and Travelling Expenses, ...	22	7	7			
				303	18	0
Total,				£834	7	5

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

CONFERENCE *RE* PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 20th April, 1910, being a Conference between the Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee of the County Council and of Representatives of the several District Committees of the County. 20th April, 1910.

Present—

As representing the Executive Committee—

HUGH REID. | JOHN D. SCOTT.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

As representing the Upper Ward District Committee—

JAMES H. FENTON. | Colonel LOGAN.
NATHANIEL GOLD. | Rev. CHRISTOPHER M'KUNE.
WILLIAM NEILSON.

As representing the Middle Ward District Committee—

JOHN C. BURNS. | JAMES PRENTICE.
WILLIAM LOVE. | WILLIAM STRANG.

As representing the Lower Ward District Committee—

WILLIAM Y. ABEL. | THOMAS FULTON.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE. | WILLIAM SPEIRS.

Mr. John D. Scott was appointed chairman of the conference. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the conference. *Notice calling conference.*

There were submitted to the meeting the minutes of the conference held on 9th March last, which had been printed and sent to each of the representatives appointed by the several authorities interested. *Minutes of last conference.*

There was also submitted the minutes of the committee appointed by the conference, of date 30th March (Appendix I.), which had been also printed and sent to each of the representatives appointed by the several authorities interested. *Minutes of committee.*

Motion by Mr. Walter C. B. Christie.

The meeting having considered the recommendations of the committee, Mr. Walter C. B. Christie moved the approval of the minutes, which was seconded by Mr. James H. Fenton.

Amendment by Mr. William Templeton.

Mr. William Templeton moved, by way of amendment, that the selection of a short leet be made by the full joint-committee, which was seconded by Mr. William Love.

Amendment became finding of meeting by casting vote of chairman.

On the motion and amendment having been put to the meeting, and a vote having been taken, by way of a show of hands, eight voted for the motion and eight for the amendment, whereupon the chairman gave his casting vote in favour of the amendment, which accordingly became the finding of the meeting.

(1) Memorandum as to duties; (2) schedule of queries to be filled up as relative to application.

The Clerk laid upon the table (1) memorandum as to the duties (Appendix II.) and (2) schedule of queries to be filled up as relative to application (Appendix III.), prints of each of which had been sent to each member of the joint-committee, and the same, having been adjusted, were approved of.

Draft advertisement.

The Clerk submitted draft advertisement of the appointment, the terms of which the meeting approved, and instructed its insertion in the leading agricultural journals, as well as in the principal local newspapers.

APPENDIX I.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 30th March, 1910, being a meeting of the committee appointed by the joint-meeting of Representatives of the Executive Committee and of the several District Committees of the County on the proposed appointment of County Veterinary Inspector. 30th March, 1910.

Present—

John C. Burns.	James H. Fenton.
Walter C. B. Christie.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Provost Davidson.	John D. Scott.

James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.
W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward.

Mr. John D. Scott, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the remit to the committee which was in the following terms, viz. :— *Remit to committee.*

"After discussion, the meeting appointed the following committee to consider as to the qualifications which the Veterinary Inspector should possess; the duties which would devolve upon him under the Diseases of Animals Acts and the Public Health Acts; the emoluments to be attached to the appointment, and to report to a further conference, viz. :—

J. C. Burns.	George Fraser.
Walter C. B. Christie.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Provost Davidson.	John D. Scott.
James H. Fenton.	William Speirs.

James C. Hope Vere.

Mr. Scott to be chairman of the committee, and three a quorum."

The Clerk laid before the meeting notes (Appendix) which he had prepared as to the qualifications that may be held by members of the veterinary profession, and also as to the duties that would fall to be performed by a County Veterinary Inspector if appointed under the Diseases of Animals Acts and the Public Health Acts. *Notes prepared by Clerk as to qualifications that may be held by members of the veterinary profession, &c.*

Person appointed to be a Member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.

The meeting, having considered these notes, unanimously resolved to recommend that it be an essential condition of the appointment that the person appointed shall be a member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.

Schedule of queries to be supplied to each intending applicant.

It was also further agreed to recommend that there should be supplied to each intending applicant a schedule of queries with a view to ascertaining their additional qualifications, and that the Clerk be instructed to prepare such a schedule.

Question of remuneration.—Motion by Provost Davidson.

The meeting having discussed the question of remuneration, Provost Davidson moved that the salary be £450 per annum with reasonable travelling expenses, which was seconded by Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.

Amendment by Mr. George Fraser.

Mr. George Fraser moved, by way of amendment, that the salary be £400 with reasonable travelling expenses, which was seconded by Mr. John C. Burns.

Motion carried.

On a vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted for the motion, which was accordingly declared carried.

Recommendation that appointment be advertised.

The meeting thereafter agreed to recommend that the appointment of a County Veterinary Inspector on the above terms be advertised, and that it be remitted to this committee to consider the applications and to prepare a short leet for submission to the May Statutory Meeting of the County Council, by whom it was agreed the appointment should be made.

APPENDIX.

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

QUALIFICATIONS.

The different degrees or honours that may be held by members of the Veterinary profession are as follows, viz. :—

M.R.C.V.S.—Member of Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.

F.R.C.V.S.—Fellow of Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.

This implies five years' practice; the writing of a Thesis and the passing of an examination in Veterinary Medicine and Surgery; Veterinary Hygiene and Sanitary Science; Pathology and Bacteriology.

Post Graduate Courses in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c., are conducted at (1) The Royal Veterinary College, London (Professor Sir John M'Fadyean), and (2) The University of Liverpool. At the latter there is also a course which treats mainly of Veterinary Hygiene, and which qualifies for the Diploma of the University.

The Victoria University of Manchester also conducts courses which qualifies for a diploma in Veterinary State Medicine.

Consequent upon the Report of the Royal Commission on Tuberculosis (1898), examinations in Meat Inspection are conducted by (1) The Royal Sanitary Institute and (2) The Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland. In each case Certificates are granted to successful candidates.

In connection with these examinations it is understood that candidates are required to produce evidence that they have undergone a brief course of tuition in the subjects of examination, and that they have taken a course of practical training extending over at least two months at a cattle market and abattoir.

It is understood that the Board of Agriculture make it a condition in connection with appointments of Veterinary Inspectors made by them that the persons appointed must, in addition to being a M.R.C.V.S., have taken a Post Graduate Course. They must also pass an examination instituted by the Board on the Acts and Orders relating to Diseases of Animals.

DUTIES.

With regard to the duties which the Veterinary Inspector would be called upon to perform, it is perhaps inexpedient to define these duties except in a general way, and it is suggested that it might be sufficient to state that the person appointed would be called upon to perform all work requiring to be done under—

1. The Diseases of Animals Acts, which will include, in addition to the examination of animals affected, or suspected of being affected, with disease and the furnishing of reports—

(*a*) The superintendence of precautionary measures relating to the movement of diseased carcases and their destruction, as well as disinfection and cleansing of premises, &c.;

(*b*) The attendance at meetings of the Committee, at markets and saleyards, &c., when considered necessary ;

(*c*) The attendance at court in connection with any cases in which the Local Authority may be concerned for the purpose of giving evidence of a professional nature ; and

(*d*) Such other work as the Local Authority or their Executive Committee may from time to time direct.

As regards work done under these Acts, the Veterinary Inspector shall be directly responsible to the Local Authority, and shall receive his instructions through the County Clerk to whom he will make his reports.

2. The Public Health Acts.—The Veterinary Inspector shall, as regards work requiring to be done under these Acts or under any other Acts or Orders administered by the District Committees, be under the direction of the Medical Officer of Health for the district. He shall take his instructions from the Medical Officer and make his reports to him.

The duties under the Public Health Acts will include—

(*a*) The inspection of meat, should the District Committees so decide ;

(*b*) The inspection of dairies from which it is suspected there is being supplied milk to which may be attributed the outbreak of any infectious disease ;

(*c*) The inspection of dairy herds within the district ; and,

(*d*) Any other work of a veterinary nature which the District Committee or their Medical Officer of Health may direct.

The salary to be with reasonable travelling expenses, and the appointment to be terminated by two months' notice on either side.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

MEMORANDUM AS TO DUTIES, &c.

The duties which the Veterinary Inspector will be called upon to perform will include all work requiring to be done under—

1. The Diseases of Animals Acts and Orders made thereunder, which will include, in addition to the examination of animals affected, or suspected of being affected, with disease and the furnishing of reports—

(*a*) The superintendence of precautionary measures relating to the movement of diseased carcases and their destruction, as well as disinfection and cleansing of premises, &c.;

(*b*) The attendance at meetings of the Committee, at markets and saleyards, &c., when considered necessary;

(*c*) The attendance at court in connection with any cases in which the Local Authority may be concerned for the purpose of giving evidence of a professional nature; and

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As regards work done under these Acts, the Veterinary Inspector shall be directly responsible to the Local Authority, and shall receive his instructions through the County Clerk, to whom he will make his reports.

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(*d*) Any other work of a veterinary nature which the District Committee or their Medical Officer of Health may direct.

The salary to be £450 per annum, with reasonable travelling expenses, and the appointment to be terminated by two months' notice on either side.

20th April, 1910.

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

Intending Applicants for this appointment are requested to fill up this Schedule of Queries, which should accompany their application.

1. Applicant's Name and Address,	
2. Age,	
3. Positions of a public nature, if any, held by him,	
4. State (*a*) how long in general practice; (*b*) place or district where practice carried on; and (*c*) nature or character of practice.	
5. Year in which applicant became an M.R.C.V.S.,	
6. State what other Veterinary Degree or Qualification, if any, held by him,	
7. Has applicant taken a Post Graduate Course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c.? If so, state where and when,	
8. State experience, if any, of work under the (*a*) Diseases of Animals Act and Orders of Board of Agriculture, (*b*) Public Health Acts, (*c*) Any other Acts relating to Veterinary work.	
9. State practical experience, if any, in (*a*) Bacteriological work, (*b*) Meat Inspection, (*c*) Inspection of Dairy Herds,	

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 5th January, 1910, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark — 5th January, 1910.

Present—

William Barr.	Robert Lambie.
David J. Black.	Colonel Logan.
Colonel Buchanan.	A. D. Mack.
Robert C. Carson.	William Neilson.
Nathaniel Gold.	Alexander Pillans.
George Green.	John D. Scott.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	William Templeton.

James C. Hope Vere.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 1st December last, which had been submitted to, and approved of by, the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

There having been submitted the minutes of a meeting between the sub-committee appointed in regard to the proposed extension of the Burgh of Airdrie and representatives of that burgh, of date 17th December (Appendix I.), a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee, the same were approved of. — *Minutes of sub-committee* re *proposed extension of Burgh of Airdrie.—Remit to sub-committee, with full powers.*

As relative thereto, the Clerk submitted a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 23rd December, enclosing copy of a resolution approving of the formation of a special lighting district affecting the area proposed to be annexed to the Burgh of Airdrie, to be known as "Gartlea Special Lighting District." — *Resolution by Middle Ward District Committee* re *formation of Gartlea Special Lighting District.*

The meeting, after consideration, continued the question of the proposed extension of the Burgh of Airdrie in the hands of the sub-committee, with full powers.

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £21,131 1s. 7d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept book and the accounts and requisitions being initialed by the Chairman and Mr. William Templeton, and the meeting remitted to any two members to sign cheques for the amounts stated in the precept book. — *Accounts and requisitions.*

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward water undertaking, viz.:— — *Middle Ward Water Requisitions*

No. 122 (new), dated 23rd December, 1909, ...	£20	6	0
No. 130 (old), do., ...	75	15	9

Statement of loan indebtedness.

The Clerk submitted the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz. :—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1909.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...			£894,641 0 2
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	£11,216 16 3		
Do. taken do., ...	10,945 0 0		
		271 16 3	
		£894,369 3 11	

The County Fund stands at £5,324 to the credit.

Statement of collection of rates.

The Clerk also submitted the following statement of the collection of rates, viz. :—

STATEMENT OF THE COLLECTION OF RATES FOR 1909-10 AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1909, AS COMPARED WITH 1908-1909.

Percentage collected at same date last year.	District.	Amount levied.	Amount collected.	Percentage.
28·71	Airdrie, ...	£21,298 15 1½	£5,996 18 3	28·16
31·93	Biggar, ...	8,255 7 7	2,452 15 6	29·72
34·36	Glasgow, ...	67,451 18 9	23,031 1 7	34·14
26·22	Hamilton, ...	85,612 9 5	21,641 15 7	25·28
34·61	Lanark, ...	16,306 2 8	6,025 18 11	36·96
37·11	Strathaven, ...	8,832 14 9	3,048 2 0	34·51
30·40		£207,757 8 3½	£62,196 11 10	29·94
4·24	Railways, ...	19,452 6 4	413 10 3	2·13
27·92		£227,209 14 7½	£62,610 2 1	27·56

Report by Clerk on system of collection of County rates.

In terms of the remit made to him at the last meeting of the committee, the Clerk laid upon the table a report which he had prepared on the system of the collection of the County rates (Appendix II.), a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee. It was agreed that consideration of the report should be taken up at the next meeting.

Recovery of arrears of assessment in certain case.

The Clerk reported that, with reference to the minutes of the meeting of the committee, of date 5th May last, authorising him to take steps for the recovery of the owner's rates in respect of a property entered in the Valuation Roll, with regard to which there had arisen a question of the true ownership, proceedings had been taken against both the person whose name appeared on the Roll as owner of the property and the person to whom it was alleged the property had been transferred before the Roll had been made up, and that, while decree had gone against the first named by default, the Sheriff had assoilzied the latter. The Clerk explained the reasons which seemed to have weighed with the Sheriff in deciding the case, and stated that, as there was a question of principle involved, he had considered the advisability of intimating an appeal, but, after consulting Counsel in the matter, he had decided to recommend the committee not to adopt this course, but rather to raise an action at common law for a debt due. The meeting approved of the Clerk's action in the matter, and of his suggestion as to further procedure.

Agricultural Rates, &c., (Scotland) Acts.—Statement of application and allocation.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a Statement of the Application and Allocation of the Grant received under the Agricultural Rates, &c. (Scotland), Acts for the current year (Appendix III.). The meeting, having regard to the fact that there was still a large deficiency in the amount of the grant, and to the anomalies resulting from the present method of distribution, appointed the following sub-committee to take such action in the matter as they might consider advisable, viz. :—

George Fraser.
George Green.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
John D. Scott.

Collection of rates.—Request by Mr. Thomas Tennent for payment to account.

A request by Mr. Thomas Tennent, Collector of Rates for the Lower Ward District of the County, for a payment of £300 to account of his commission in connection with the collection of the rates, was acceded to.

Arrears of assessments.—Letter from Mr. W. H. Jardine.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from Mr. William H. Jardine, Sheriff Officer, Coatbridge, suggesting another defaulter in the Parish of Shotts to be added to the list of persons against whom extreme measures should be resorted to, failing payment of the rates due by him for the last two years. The meeting, in view of the officer's statement, approved of such measures being taken, if necessary, and instructed accordingly.

Equivalent Grant.—Communication from Middle Ward District Committee re lighting of road between boundaries of Burgh of Hamilton and Special Lighting District of Bothwell.

There was laid before the meeting a communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 11th November, stating that the District Committee had come to a tentative arrangement with the Lanarkshire Tramways Company, by which that Company had agreed to provide electric current, free of charge, for the purpose of lighting the highway between the boundaries of the Burgh of Hamilton and the Special Lighting District of Bothwell, on condition that the County Authorities provide the necessary lamps and fittings to be attached to the tramway poles and maintain them hereafter; that the estimated expense which would meantime fall to be met would be £60, in addition to the annual maintenance, which would be comparatively small, and suggesting that the expense should be met out of the share of the Equivalent Grant falling to the Middle Ward District. The meeting approved, and instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Secretary for Scotland, with a view to obtaining his consent, in terms of Section 2 (5) (*c*) of the Education, &c., Account (Scotland) Act, 1892, to the application of part of the Equivalent Grant payable under that Act to the purpose indicated, as a scheme of public utility.

Temporary loan. — Lost acknowledgment.—Messrs. James and Archibald Hamilton.

The Clerk having reminded the committee that, at their last meeting, it was agreed to make payment of the principal sum in an acknowledgment in name of Messrs. James and Archibald Hamilton, which had gone amissing, subject to the said Mr. Archibald Hamilton and the executors of the deceased James Hamilton granting an indemnity securing the County Council against any loss they might incur in connection with the original acknowledgment, stated that one of the executors had declined to undertake any personal liability in the matter. In these circumstances, the meeting instructed him to make inquiry as to the financial position of the other executors, and to report to next meeting.

Request by Mr. T. Gillespie to destroy Valuation Returns.

The Clerk intimated a request by Mr. T. Gillespie, Assessor, Hamilton, for permission to have the Valuation Returns for years 1905-6 and 1906-7 destroyed, and the meeting agreed to grant the request.

Lanas Valuation Acts.—Alleged false returns.

In connection with the two cases of alleged false returns reported to the committee at their meeting on 3rd November last, the Clerk stated that, in one case the Sheriff had imposed a penalty of £5, to include expenses, the alternative being 20 days' imprisonment, and that the other was still *sub judice*.

Provision of fire engine, &c.—Circular letter from Under Secretary for Scotland as to borrowing.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a circular letter from the Under Secretary for Scotland, of date 10th December (Appendix IV.), transmitting copy of an Order made by him prescribing the purposes for which a County Council may borrow money under Section 8 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, in connection with the provision of fire engines, &c.

Upkeep of County Buildings at Lanark.—Request for County Council's contribution.

There was submitted a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, of date 23rd December, stating that, at a meeting of the Commissioners appointed in regard to the County Buildings at Lanark, it had been resolved to requisition the sum of £50 to meet certain expenses in connection with the buildings, and that, according to the arrangement come to in 1905, this expenditure would fall to be borne equally by the County Council and the Town Council of Lanark. The meeting instructed the Clerk to make payment of this Council's contribution.

Probation of Offenders Act.—Account of expenses incurred by Mr. George Easton.

The Clerk submitted an account of expenses incurred by Mr. George Easton, Probationer Officer, Airdrie, in connection with the Probation of Offenders Act for the period from 1st January to 31st December, 1909, which the meeting agreed should be paid, subject to the account being found correct on being checked by the Clerk.

Children Act, 1908.—Provision of place of detention.

The Clerk reported that the Parliamentary Bills Committee had remitted to him to make arrangements to meet the obligations on the Police Authority, under the Children Act, 1908, in regard to the provision of places of detention, and that he had tentatively arranged with Mr. Adam Forbes, Inspector of the Scottish National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, to place at the disposal of the Council two rooms within the dwelling-house occupied by him, known as Pine Cottage, Baillies Causeway, Hamilton, which would provide sufficient accommodation for twelve children or young persons, and, if of different sexes, for six of each. He explained that Mr. Forbes would be paid a sum of £12 10s., with an allowance for maintenance of 1s. 6d. per day, but not exceeding 7s. 6d. per week for each child or young person sent to Pine Cottage. He further explained that, until some experience had been obtained of the working of the Act, he considered that the present arrangement would be sufficient to meet the requirements of the several districts of the County. The meeting approved of the arrangement made by the Clerk, and authorised the use of the accommodation as a place of safety if necessary.

The Clerk was appointed, in terms of the Regulations made by the Secretary for Scotland, as the officer by whom accounts for maintenance of inmates should be sent to the Chief Inspector of Reformatories and Industrial Schools.

Forth and Wilsontown water.—Mossplatt Reference.

The Clerk reported that, as instructed, he had taken steps to defend the action raised by the Arbiter in the Mossplatt Reference in connection with the Forth and Wilsontown Special Water District, who, as a result of the proceedings, had been awarded less than the amount tendered to him.

Cinematograph Act, 1909.

The meeting authorised the Clerk to make such interim arrangements as he should consider necessary to carry out the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1909, and to grant licences thereunder.

Application relative to capital work and borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting an application for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the sum of £40 0s. 6d., being excess capital expenditure in connection with alterations and additions at Hairmyres Inebriate Reformatory, and the meeting, after consideration, agreed to recommend the borrowing of this sum, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the application to that committee for their consent.

APPENDIX I.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PROPOSED EXTENSION OF BURGH OF AIRDRIE.

At AIRDRIE, on Friday, 17th December, 1909, being a meeting between a Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee of the County Council and representatives of the Town Council in regard to the Proposed Extension of the Burgh of Airdrie. 17th December, 1909.

Present—

As representing the County Authorities—

Colonel BUCHANAN. | A. D. MACK.
WILLIAM NEILSON.

THOS. MUNRO, County Clerk.
W. E. WHYTE, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

As representing the Town Council of Airdrie—

Provost KNOX. | Treasurer ORR.
Bailie LEWIS. | Councillor KENNEDY.

JOHN J. M'MURDO, Town-Clerk Depute.

Provost Knox in the chair. *Chairman.*

It was agreed that the proceedings or any proposals made by either party should not be referred to or founded upon in the event of an amicable agreement not being arrived at ultimately.

As relative to previous meetings and correspondence between the County and Town Councils on the subject of the proposed extension of the Burgh of Airdrie, there was submitted a map on which were indicated the limits of the extension which the Town Council now proposed, and which included an additional portion of territory to the south-east of the area originally proposed to be included within the burgh. *Map submitted shewing proposed extension.*

It was explained on behalf of the representatives of the County Council, that, while they were anxious to meet the desires of the Town Council in the matter, so far as possible, the areas proposed to be included were differentiated in respect that, as regards the small portion built upon, the inhabitants had now expressed themselves as anxious to remain in the County, and that, as regards the remainder of the area, it was not in the view of the County Council, in the ordinary sense, burghal in character, and that, therefore, if an extension were agreed to, it would have to be for special reasons and on special considerations. *Explanation made on behalf of representatives of County Council.*

It having been indicated on behalf of the Town Council that they would take into consideration whether anything could be done by way of obviating objections on the part of the inhabitants of the built-on area to their inclusion within the burgh, and that they were prepared to treat with the County Council as to the matter of compensation on lines which were indicated on behalf of the County Council, the conference terminated. *Question of compensation to be considered by Town Council.*

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT BY THE COUNTY CLERK ON THE SYSTEM OF COLLECTION OF COUNTY RATES.

The Finance Committee, at their meeting on 3rd November, 1909, came to the following finding:—" . . . that the Clerk be instructed to submit to the " Committee information that might assist them in considering whether the proposal " that the collection of the County rates should be carried out by the County Clerk " and Treasurer was advisable or practicable, having regard to the convenience of " the ratepayers and the cost involved."

This finding of the Committee was unanimously approved at the meeting of the County Council held on 21st December, 1909.

In obedience to the remit, the County Clerk begs to submit the following information:—

In 1906 he submitted to the Finance Committee a "Memorandum explanatory of the working of the present system of collection of County rates." The Memorandum was in the following terms:—

" Under the arrangement now existing in the County, the County Clerk writes " up the Assessment Roll calculates and fills in the several assessments due by the " individual ratepayers, and balances the 57 volumes of which the Roll is composed. " He also prepares the forms of demand notes and receipts, of which there are 116 " different kinds, and instructs the printer, and sees that they reach the several " collectors. He is also charged with the duty of superintending the work of collection, " and of dealing with all the appeals, applications for relief, and complaints that " arise in the course of the collection.

" The assessment volumes, with the appropriate demand notes and receipt forms, " are transmitted to the collectors as they are completed, the first books being " despatched within seven days after the imposition of the rates at the statutory " meeting of the Council in October, and the last in the first week of December.

" The collectors fill up the demand notes and receipt forms from the details " given in the Assessment Roll, and thereafter issue them to the ratepayers, either " by posting or by delivery by special messenger. This requires to be done with " much expedition, as the demand notes must be in the hands of the ratepayers in " good time to allow them an opportunity to make payment at the outdoor collections, " which begin in the end of November.

" The collectors are furnished with cash books, in which they require to enter " each day the details of the payments they have received, which details consist of " the name of the parish, the number in the Assessment Roll, and the amount of " the assessment. The amount received each day, as shown by the cash book, is " on the day immediately following paid by the collector into the branch of the " Royal Bank most convenient to his office, for the credit of the County Fund at " Hamilton, and simultaneously with this payment a post-card is sent to the County " Clerk informing him of the amount so advised. The County Clerk checks daily " the receipt of the sums so intimated by the collectors.

" Like the demand notes, the final notices are prepared by the County Clerk, and " are sent to the collectors, who issue them during the month of January, or in the " beginning of February.

" The County Clerk informs the collectors of the names of all persons who have " either been relieved from payment of rates by the appeal committees, or whose " appeals are still under consideration.

"At the close of the collection on 15th March the collectors prepare and submit, "on forms supplied, accounts current, showing their transactions in the aggregate, "also detailed lists of arrears, and detailed lists of reliefs. These accounts and state- "ments are thereupon checked by the County Clerk, and submitted to the County "Auditor for his report. On being certified as correct by the Auditor, the County "Clerk proceeds first of all to abstract the accounts, and thereafter to prepare the "necessary statements of allocation, showing against each rate each item of income "and expenditure involved, and finally he passes to each assessment account the net "amount to which it is entitled.

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"ARREARS.

"It is the duty of the County Clerk to superintend the collection of the assessment "arrears and to deal with all questions that may arise in the course of the work of "recovery.

"The Summary Warrants are put into the hands of the following:—

"T. H. Bell, Hamilton, for the Biggar, Lanark, Strathaven, and Hamilton "Collection Districts;

"W. H. Jardine, Coatbridge, for the Airdrie Collection District; and

"Thomas Tennent, Glasgow, for the Lower Ward Collection District.

"The commission paid by the County Council to these officers, inclusive of all "expenses incurred in the work of recovery, is 25 per cent., except in the case of the "Burghs of Govan and Partick, where the rate paid is 35 per cent. In addition, the "officers are entitled to exact 10 per cent. of costs under the Summary Warrant, "but it is understood that a considerable part of this is lost, and mainly for the reason "that, in many cases, proceedings by way of Small Debt Summonses are resorted "to, as being more effective, and when that course is adopted proceedings under the "Summary Warrant are dropped."

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In supplement of the foregoing information, the following facts may be stated as relating to the matter under review:—

The demand notes issued last year exceeded 130,000, and the total amount of assessments levied amounted to £235,184 19s. 1d. To raise this sum separate rates, varying from $\frac{19}{120}$d. to 2s. per £, were imposed.

Each of the collectors has an office (viz., at Glasgow, Airdrie, Hamilton, Strathaven, Lanark, and Biggar), which is open daily, and at which payment of assessments may be made at any time. In addition, the collectors hold outdoor collections at convenient centres. The number of such outdoor centres for last year was 58.

The County Clerk undertakes the duty of making up the Assessment Roll as part of the work covered by his official salary. Formerly he was remunerated on a percentage basis.

The District collectors are remunerated by a percentage, which on last year's basis varied from $1\frac{5}{8}$ per cent. to $\frac{7}{8}$ per cent. on the amount of assessments collected by them. The total commission paid last year amounted to £2,476 2s. 2d. Owing to the reduction on the rates of commission to percentages varying from $1\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$, the estimated amount payable for the current year will be £2,200.

The collectors pay all outlays except printing and one-half of their fidelity guarantee premiums. They estimated these outlays to have amounted to £1,280 for last year.

The remit to the County Clerk to report upon the practicability and advisability of the collection of County rates being undertaken by him has received his anxious consideration. For reasons that will be obvious to the Committee, he feels a natural reluctance in expressing an opinion that might weigh in the consideration of a subject that involves personal interests other than his own.

In obedience to the specific remit to him, however, he begs to report that he sees no practical difficulty in the work of the collection of the County rates being undertaken by him and performed from his office.

To do so, however, he would require to dispense with the district collection offices at Airdrie, Strathaven, Lanark, and Biggar, and possibly in time Glasgow, leaving these places to be served by stated out door collections, as in the other populous places in the

County. The Committee will doubtless consider this aspect of the matter in its relation to the question of the convenience of the public.

On the question of relative cost, it is difficult to give a correct comparison or estimate, but, having considered the question, the County Clerk is of the opinion that the actual estimated outlay which he would incur would be somewhat similar to the amount at present paid by the collectors as before mentioned, viz., £1,280, leaving a balance of something under £1,000 which would be saved to the County. The estimate of expense includes the provision of any additional staff he might mainly during the collection period require to engage, and such recompense as the Committee might grant to the members of the permanent staff whose duties would be added to. It makes no allowance for any additional remuneration to the County Clerk, who considers that the work, if devolved upon him, falls under the duties which he undertook to perform under his agreement with the Council, and would be covered by his official salary.

The making up of the assessment roll and the collection of the rates occupies a period of practically six months—from September to March. The work is intricate, and necessitates the employment of a skilled staff, who must also be of character in view of the trust imposed upon them in connection with outdoor collections, but it is believed that the estimate given above is sufficient to cover all contingencies.

In this connection, and on the question of the comparison of relative cost generally, it need hardly be pointed out that the saving shown is mainly accounted for by the fact that the County Clerk would himself receive no personal remuneration, and would have the advantage of an existing organised staff. The comparison is no reflection on the merits of the present system, under which the circumstances are different.

The question of the advisability of the suggested change of method is one upon which the Committee will be able to come to a decision from their intimate knowledge of the operation of the present system as contrasted with that which would be in vogue if the suggested change were given effect to. Three considerations would seem to weigh in the matter:—(1) Relative cost; (2) efficiency of service, including the convenience of the public; and (3) personal considerations affecting the county official establishment as now existing and as it would be affected by the change.

Although not falling within the actual remit to him, the County Clerk thinks it desirable to refer to the kindred question of the collection of arrears. These amounted last year to £5,115, of which £3,229 was recovered at a cost of £856.

The work is troublesome, and requires much special attention on the part of those engaged in it. It also involves responsibility, as a mistake in legal procedure might have serious consequences. Beyond the supervision which he presently exercises, the County Clerk cannot pretend to much familiarity with the procedure or practice, and if he were to undertake the duty, which would seem to fall naturally into the ordinary collection work, he might require to engage special assistants, qualified as sheriff officers, as part of his staff. The duty would also impose fresh responsibilities on the County Clerk personally, which, however, he is prepared to undertake. It would be difficult to give an estimate of the cost of this part of the work, but the County Clerk considers that it could be done well within the figure presently paid.

In conclusion, the County Clerk hopes that he has made the working of the present system of collection quite clear to the Committee, but, in order that the members may the better understand the matter, there will be submitted, when this statement is under consideration, specimens of the books, statements, lists, and accounts before referred to.

T. M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 31st December, 1909.

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

AGRICULTURAL RATES, &c. (SCOTLAND), ACTS.

STATEMENT SHOWING APPLICATION AND ALLOCATION OF GRANT RECEIVED UNDER ABOVE ACTS FOR 1909-10.

	Abatements allowed by County Council.	Government Grant.	Deficit.	Surplus.
Police—Airdrie District, ...	£53 17 8	£49 3 0	£4 14 8	...
Do. Hamilton District, ...	205 16 11	149 5 10	56 11 1	...
Do. Lower Ward District, ...	66 9 3	40 11 0	25 18 3	...
Do. Motherwell District, ...	0 10 5	...	0 10 5	...
Do. Upper Ward District, ...	164 7 3	103 16 7	60 10 8	...
County General Assessment—South, ...	89 1 1	114 5 5	...	£25 4 4
Do. do. North, ...	7 16 9	11 1 2	...	3 4 5
Registration of Voters, ...	...	27 12 11	...	27 12 11
Valuation, ...	...	48 10 8	...	48 10 8
Glasgow Lunacy District, ...	25 10 11	...	25 10 11	...
Govan do., ...	4 9 10	6 15 2	...	2 5 4
Lanark do., ...	623 17 9	418 7 8	205 10 1	...
Diseases of Animals, ...	28 5 11	13 10 4	14 15 7	...
General Purposes, ...	212 4 3	82 18 9	129 5 6	...
Glasgow Sheriff Court Houses, ...	21 7 3	1 16 10	19 10 5	...
Highways—Upper Ward, ...	1,990 13 9	1,229 19 3	760 14 6	...
Do. Middle Ward, ...	1,722 1 11	1,594 17 10	127 4 1	...
Do. Lower Ward, ...	283 7 6	349 11 6	...	66 4 0
Public Health—Upper Ward, ...	473 19 6	168 19 0	305 0 6	...
Do. Middle Ward, ...	669 14 2	310 17 4	358 16 10	...
Do. Lower Ward, ...	104 19 1	190 9 1	...	85 10 0
UPPER WARD.				
Blackwood Water, ...	18 15 11	...	18 15 11	...
Braidwood Water, ...	15 1 6	...	15 1 6	...
Carluke Water, ...	10 12 7	10 8 11	0 3 8	...
Do. Drainage, ...	2 6 0	1 4 7	1 1 5	...
Do. Lighting, ...	3 4 5	...	3 4 5	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	1 7 7	...	1 7 7	...
Carnwath Water, ...	2 9 4	...	2 9 4	...
Do. Drainage, ...	2 4 8	...	2 4 8	...
Crawford Water, ...	1 8 8	0 12 3	0 16 5	...
Crosslaw Drainage, ...	2 7 8	4 6 0	...	1 18 4
Do. Lighting, ...	1 6 11	...	1 6 11	...
Douglas Water, ...	0 14 5	...	0 14 5	...
Do. Drainage, ...	1 1 8	3 13 9	...	2 12 1
Do. Lighting, ...	0 14 5	...	0 14 5	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	2 3 4	...	2 3 4	...
Kirkfieldbank Water, ...	4 5 3	..	4 5 3	...
Law Water, ...	14 8 11	12 5 9	2 3 2	...
Do. Drainage, ...	1 8 11	2 9 2	...	1 0 3
Lesmahagow Water, ...	63 9 1	12 18 0	50 11 1	...
Do. Drainage, ...	2 4 1	1 16 10	0 7 3	..
Do. Lighting, ...	2 4 1	...	2 4 1	...
Roberton Water, ...	7 7 3	...	7 7 3	...
Thankerton Water, ...	4 2 9	...	4 2 9	...
Do. Drainage, ...	0 13 3	...	0 13 3	...
MIDDLE WARD.				
Middle Ward Water—Public Rate, ...	543 7 3	407 6 6	136 0 9	...
Do. Domestic Rate,	41 14 11	10 8 11	31 6 0	..
Aitkenhead and Tannochside Drainage,	0 7 2	...	0 7 2	...
Do. do. Lighting,	0 10 3	...	0 10 3	...
Baillieston Drainage, ...	1 14 0	0 12 3	1 1 59	..
Do. Lighting, ...	0 16 0	...	0 16 0	..
Bellshill Drainage, ...	1 7 2	0 12 3	0 14 11	..
Bellshill and Mossend Lighting, ...	0 18 1	...	0 18 1	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	1 16 3	...	1 16 3	...
Blantyre Drainage, ...	3 5 2	1 4 7	2 0 7	...
Do. Lighting, ...	3 18 11	...	3 18 11	..
Do. Scavenging, ...	3 5 2	...	3 5 2	...
Bothwell Drainage, ...	1 2 5	...	1 2 5	...
Do. Lighting, ...	2 1 4	...	2 1 4	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	2 19 1	...	2 19 1	...
Carry forward, ...	£7,523 17 0	£5,382 9 1	£2,405 10 3	£264 2 4

	Abatements allowed by County Council.	Government Grant.	Deficit.	Surplus.
Brought forward, ...	£7,523 17 0	£5,382 9 1	£2,405 10 3	£264 2 4
Busby Drainage, ...	2 15 4	...	2 15 4	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 5 9	...	0 5 9	...
Calderbank Lighting, ...	0 0 7	...	0 0 7	...
Cambuslang Drainage, ...	1 15 10	2 9 2	...	0 13 4
Do. Lighting.	2 13 6	...	2 13 6	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	3 16 6	...	3 16 6	..
Do. General Purposes (Electric Lighting), ...	1 2 9	...	1 2 9	...
Carfin and Cleekhimin Drainage, ...	0 2 5	...	0 2 5	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 3 11	...	0 3 11	..
Carmyle Lighting, ...	0 18 5	..	0 18 5	...
Chapelhall Drainage, ...	0 4 1	...	0 4 1	..
Cleland and Omoa Drainage, ...	0 13 6	..	0 13 6	...
Dalzell and Netherton Drainage, ...	2 5 11	...	2 5 11	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 11 6	...	0 11 6	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 17 3	...	0 17 3	...
East Kilbride Drainage, ...	2 12 6	...	2 12 6	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 18 7	...	0 18 7	...
Holytown Drainage, ...	0 2 8	...	0 2 8	...
Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Lighting, ...	0 15 3	...	0 15 3	...
Larkhall Drainage, ...	2 19 6	2 9 2	0 10 4	...
Do. Lighting, ...	1 7 0	...	1 7 0	..
Mount Vernon Drainage, ...	5 1 7	6 15 2	...	1 13 7
New Stevenston Drainage, ...	0 0 3	...	0 0 3	...
Newton and Flemington Drainage, ...	0 14 7	...	0 14 7	...
Shotts and Dykehead Lighting, ...	0 11 0	...	0 11 0	..
Stonehouse Drainage, ...	0 1 2	...	0 1 2	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 13 3	...	0 13 3	...
Strathaven Drainage, ...	4 16 2	...	4 16 2	..
Do. Lighting, ...	1 8 0	...	1 8 0	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 12 0	...	0 12 0	...
Uddingston Drainage, ...	1 7 5	...	1 7 5	...
Do. Lighting, ...	1 18 9	...	1 18 9	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	3 17 6	...	3 17 6	..
LOWER WARD.				
Barony Drainage (North), ...	10 10 0	17 16 4	...	7 6 4
Do. (South), ...	1 15 6	...	1 15 6	...
Bishopbriggs Lighting, ...	1 0 1	...	1 0 1	...
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Drainage,	5 10 4	...	5 10 4	...
Do. Scavenging,	1 15 10	...	1 15 10	...
Carmunnock Drainage, ...	0 14 9	1 4 7	...	0 9 10
Chryston and Muirhead Scavenging, ...	1 10 6	...	1 10 6	...
Glasgow Sewage Purification Area, ...	6 18 1	...	6 18 1	...
Lambhill Lighting, ...	0 8 6	...	0 8 6	...
Linthouse Lighting, ...	0 15 4	...	0 15 4	...
Millerston and Stepps Lighting, ...	2 7 7	...	2 7 7	...
North Cadder Water, ...	126 2 2	...	126 2 2	...
Rutherglen Drainage, ...	5 18 4	...	5 18 4	...
Do. Lighting, ...	4 9 6	...	4 9 6	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	2 9 5	...	2 9 5	...
Shettleston and Tollcross Lighting, ...	3 15 4	4 6 0	...	0 10 8
Do. Scavenging,	7 10 2	...	7 10 2	...
South Cadder Water, ...	150 12 6	...	150 12 6	...
South Lenzie Water, ...	1 4 11	3 1 5	...	1 16 6
Do. Drainage, ...	3 5 0	7 7 6	...	4 2 6
Do. Lighting, ...	1 1 6	...	1 1 6	..
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 15 6	...	0 15 6	...
Stepps Drainage, ...	1 10 2	...	1 10 2	...
Do., Scavenging, ...	0 10 6	...	0 10 6	..
	£7,914 12 11	£5,427 18 5	£2,767 9 7	£280 15 1
			280 15 1	
			£2,486 14 6	

SUMMARY.

Total Abatements, ...	£7,914 12 11
Total Grant, ...	5,427 18 5
Deficit, ...	£2,486 14 6

In other words, the Government Grant is equivalent to 13s. 8½d. per £ of the abatements made by the County Council. Last year it was equal to 13s. 3d. per £.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE AMOUNT OF GRANTS RECEIVED AND ABATEMENTS ALLOWED SINCE THE PASSING OF THE ACT OF 1896.

	Abatements allowed by County Council.	Government Grant.	Net Deficiency.	Net Deficiency per £.
1897-98, ...	£5,888 4 4	£4,881 1 4	£1,007 3 0	£0 3 3
1898-99, ...	6,010 12 5	4,868 8 6	1,142 3 11	0 3 8
1899-1900, ...	6,591 7 5	5,482 17 9	1,108 9 8	0 3 4½
1900-01, ...	6,750 3 1	5,372 12 6	1,377 10 7	0 4 1
1901-02, ...	7,139 14 5	5,415 13 2	1,724 1 3	0 4 10
1902-03, ...	7,495 14 9	5,446 5 0	2,049 9 9	0 5 6
1903-04, ...	7,534 3 2	5,429 4 7	2,104 18 7	0 5 7
1904-05, ...	7,417 14 2	5,434 18 0	1,982 16 2	0 5 4
1905-06, ...	7,433 5 6	5,423 15 9	2,009 9 9	0 5 5
1906-07, ...	7,683 1 9	5,430 5 11	2,252 15 10	0 5 10
1907-08, ...	7,704 17 10	5,424 6 9	2,280 11 1	0 5 11
1908-09, ...	8,184 15 9	5,428 13 8	2,756 2 1	0 6 9
1909-1910, ...	7,914 12 11	5,427 18 5	2,486 14 6	0 6 3½
	£93,748 7 6	£69,466 1 4	£24,282 6 2	£0 5 2

APPENDIX IV.

Scottish Office,
Whitehall,
London, 10th December, 1909.

20550/9.

Sir,

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1908.

PROVISION OF FIRE ENGINES, &c.

With reference to Section 8 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to transmit, to be laid before the County Council, copy of an Order made by him prescribing the purposes for which a County Council may borrow under the section.

In transmitting the Order, I am to observe that in Lord Pentland's view the repayment period of loans raised for the purposes specified in the Order should not, except where the purpose is the purchase or erection of buildings, exceed 10 years, and that in the case of certain items (such as water-buckets, hose, &c.) an even shorter period might with advantage be adopted.

I am, &c.,

(Sgd.) J. M. DODDS.

The County Clerk
of the County of.....

2nd February, 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 2nd February, 1910, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 2nd February, 1910.

Present—

William Barr.
David J. Black.
Colonel Buchanan.
George Fraser.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
George Green.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
Robert G. Carson.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Logan.
A. D. Mack.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
Alexander Pillans.
John D. Scott.
William Templeton.
James C. Hope Vere.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 5th January, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz. :— *Statement of loan indebtedness.*

Statement of Loan Indebtedness as at 29th January, 1910.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£894,369	3 11
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	£9,612 7 7		
Loans taken do., ...	9,245 13 4		
		366	14 3
		£894,002	9 8

The County Fund stands at £63,496 8s. 3d. to the credit, made up as follows :—

On Deposit Receipt, ...	£50,000	0 0
On Account current, ...	13,496	8 3
	£63,496	8 3

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted a certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt. *Bank certificate.*

The Clerk also submitted the following statement of the collection of rates, viz. :— *Statement of collection of rates.*

Statement of the Collection of Rates for 1909-1910 as at 29th January, 1910, as compared with 1908-1909.

Percentage Collected at same date last Year.	District.	Amount Levied.	Amount Collected.	Percentage.
61·26 ...	Airdrie, ...	£21,298 15 1½	£13,516 16 4	.. 63·46
68·95 ...	Biggar, ..	8,255 7 7	5,520 14 8	... 66·88
62·36 ...	Glasgow, ...	67,453 5 4	41,470 19 4	.. 61·48
56 78 ...	Hamilton, ...	85,612 9 5	46,968 1 6	... 54·86
65·15 ...	Lanark, ...	16,306 2 8	9,559 0 8	... 58·62
68·31 ...	Strathaven. ...	8,832 14 9	5,637 1 3	... 63·82
60·65 ...	...	£207,758 14 10½	£122,672 13 9	... 59·05
46·83 ...	Railways, ...	19,452 6 4	9,026 17 10	... 46·41
59·34 ...		£227,211 1 2½	£131,699 11 7	... 57·96

Decrease in percentage of rates collected in Lanark and Strathaven Districts.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting letters from the Collectors of Rates for the Lanark and Strathaven Districts, explaining the reasons for the decrease in the percentage of rates collected in their respective districts as compared with last year.

Collection of rates in New Stevenston District.

There was submitted a letter from the Clerk to the Parish Council of Bothwell, dated 14th January, suggesting the advisability of having a special day for the collection of rates in New Stevenston District. The meeting, after consideration, approved of the suggestion, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

Middle Ward Water requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward, for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, viz. :—

No. 123, dated 29th January (new),	...	...	£329	11 2
No. 131, do. (old),	...	...	338	8 2

Lanarkshire Tramways.—Application of money received from Company in in respect of paving.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, dated 6th January, stating that the District Committee proposed to make an arrangement with the Lanarkshire Tramways Company, under which the Company should pay to the County Authorities a sum of £240 as the value of the paving work which the Company are required, by the provisions of Section 8, Sub-section 2, of their Act of 1903, to execute on the Bothwell Highway, between Bothwell Station and the Bothwell Public School, such payment being in lieu of the execution by the Company of the work referred to. The meeting expressed their approval of this arrangement.

Proposed extension of Burgh of Airdrie.—Petition by residenters in South Biggar Road District.

With reference to the proposed extension of the Burgh of Airdrie, the Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. N. M'Cracken, 13 Bank Street, Airdrie, enclosing a petition by ratepayers in the South Biggar Road District against the proposal to include that district in the burgh, and expressing a desire to have a meeting with representatives of the Council for the purpose of explaining the grounds of their objections. After consideration, the meeting remitted to the Clerk to arrange for such a meeting, and to report.

Increased police protection and additional postal facilities in South Biggar Road District.

With regard to the representations which had been made to the County Authorities for increased police protection, and also additional postal facilities in the South Biggar Road District, the Clerk stated that an additional constable had been appointed for duty in that district, and that intimation had been received from the General Post Office, Edinburgh, that authority had now been given for the extension of the evening delivery of letters at Airdrie to the South Biggar Road and neighbouring district.

Equivalent Grant.—Lighting of Bothwell and Hamilton Highway.—Communication from Secretary for Scotland.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting with regard to the lighting of the Bothwell and Hamilton Highway, the Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Under-Secretary for Scotland, of date 21st January, asking whether the County Council had satisfied themselves that this proposal would be in the interests of the County at large, and would not be objected to by ratepayers living in districts through which the road in question did not pass. The Clerk stated that he had written to the Secretary for Scotland explaining the manner in which the County's share of the Equivalent Grant was apportioned amongst the several districts of the County, that it was out of the sum allocated to the Middle Ward District that the payment in respect of the lighting of the highway referred to was proposed to be made, and that the County Council could not apprehend any objection by ratepayers living in any part of the Middle Ward District to what was proposed. The meeting approved of the Clerk's reply.

Recovery of arrears of assessment in certain cases.

Under reference to the minutes of the committee, of date 3rd November last, at which it was agreed that extreme measures should be resorted to failing payment of the rates by two persons residing in Omoa Square, Parish of Shotts, the Clerk submitted a letter from Messrs. Motherwell, M'Murdo, & Mitchell, solicitors, Airdrie, of date 13th January, stating that the defaulters had both been imprisoned, but that they had subsequently been liberated on payment of the sums contained in the decrees against them. The Clerk also reported that the other person in the Parish of Shotts against whom it was agreed that extreme measures should be resorted to, had made payment of the rates due by him.

Request by Mr. John Kennedy and the Franciscan Convent for repayment of Domestic Water Rate.

The Clerk intimated to the meeting requests by Mr. John Kennedy, Hillend House, Caldercruix, and the Franciscan Convent, Bothwell, for the repayment of sums erroneously paid by them in respect of water assessments. The Clerk having explained that the Water Superintendent was satisfied that the persons in question had been erroneously charged the domestic water rate, the meeting, in the circumstances, authorised the Clerk to refund the amounts overpaid.

Glasgow Court-houses Assessment.—Delayed payment.

Under reference to the minutes of 1st December last, the Clerk stated that the Glasgow Court Houses Commissioners had expressed their willingness to accept, in settlement of their claim for interest on the delayed payment of the Lower Ward's quota of the assessment imposed, a sum equal to the interest which had accrued on the money which has been lying in bank on deposit receipt, and which was estimated to amount to about £20. The meeting authorised the Clerk to settle on these terms.

Middle Ward Water.—Bothwell Local Authority.—Repayment of loans to Public Works Loan Board.

The Clerk laid upon the table the cancelled securities forwarded to him by the Public Works Loan Board in respect of a loan of £44,150 which had been advanced by that Board to the Local Authority of the Parish of Bothwell in 1881, for the purposes of the Bothwell Water-works (now part of the Middle Ward Water Undertaking), and which had now been fully paid and satisfied.

Temporary loans.—Lost acknowledgment.—Messrs. James and Archibald Hamilton.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting in regard to the lost acknowledgment in name of Messrs. James and Archibald Hamilton, the Clerk stated that the executor who had declined to undertake any personal liability in the matter had now indicated his willingness to grant his obligation as a trustee, and, the Clerk having reported favourably regarding the financial position of the other executors, who had agreed to give their obligation as executors and also as individuals, the meeting instructed the Clerk to make payment of the loan, on receiving the letter of indemnity signed by the parties in the manner agreed.

Report by Clerk on system of collection of County rates.

The meeting having further discussed the report by the Clerk on the system of the collection of the County rates, Mr. Lambie moved that it be a recommendation to the County Council that the collection of the rates should in future be undertaken by the County Clerk, which was seconded by Mr. George Fraser.

By way of amendment, Mr. David J. Black moved the previous question, which was seconded by Mr. Alexander Pillans.

On the motion and amendment having been put to the meeting, and a vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, eight voted for the motion and eight for the amendment, whereupon the chairman gave his casting vote in favour of the motion, which accordingly became the finding of the meeting.

Remit to sub-committee.

Thereafter the meeting appointed the following sub-committee to consider and to report as to how the recommendation, assuming its adoption by the County Council, could best be carried out as to the special position of any of the Collectors, and as to any other matters arising out of the proposed change, viz. :—

David J. Black.	Robert Lambie.
George Fraser.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Green.	William Neilson.
Alexander Pillans.	

Mr. Neilson to be chairman of the sub-committee, and two a quorum.

Fees for licences, &c., under the Cinematograph Act, 1909.

The Clerk having directed attention to the provisions of Sub-section 5 of Section 2 of the Cinematograph Act, 1909, under which the County Council are empowered to fix fees to be paid in respect of the grant, renewal, or transfer of licences under the Act, the committee fixed the following scale of fees, viz. :—

(1) On the grant of a licence—

Annual, ...	£1 0 0
Monthly, ...	0 5 0

(2) On renewal or transfer of a licence—

Annual, ...	£0 10 0
Monthly (after first year), ...	0 2 6

(3) For each additional premises included in a licence, should such be considered reasonable—

Annual, ...	£0 2 6
Monthly, ...	0 1 0

Letter from Prison Commissioners re ground annual on Duke Street Prison area.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following communication from the Prison Commissioners for Scotland, viz. :—

"Prison Commission for Scotland,
"Edinburgh, 10th January, 1910.

"Sir,

"With reference to the attached copy of a letter, dated 12th March, received by the Prison Commissioners from the City Chamberlain, Glasgow, I am desired by the Commissioners to inform you that, having satisfied themselves that the land from which the ground annual referred to is payable is within the Duke Street Prison area, they desire me to request that you will lay before the County Council of Lanarkshire the following statement and request:—

"When the prisons were taken over by the Government, the Local Authorities representing the late Prison Boards either redeemed the feu duties or paid to the Commissioners 22 years' purchase thereof. In the case of Duke Street Prison, Glasgow, the then ascertained feu duties, amounting to £48 4s. 7d., were capitalised at 22 years' purchase—£1,061 0s. 10d.—which amount was paid to the Government by the North Lanark Prison Authorities. The letters to the Local Authorities demanding payment of this capitalised sum and the amount due in respect of deficient cell accommodation were issued from the Home Office on 10th April, 1880, and from the Scottish Office on 29th December, 1888, and remittances of the total amount due were made to the Commissioners on the following dates, viz. :—29th September, 1882, and 28th February, 1889.

"These feu duties have since been paid by the Commissioners, and the Secretary for Scotland has now approved of the Commissioners paying, in future, this additional ground annual of £21 6s. 7d., on condition that the capitalised value is in like manner recovered from the representatives of the late Prison Authority. At 22 years' purchase the amount would be £469 4s. 10d. The following table shows the division of this sum between the three authorities of North Lanarkshire:—

Landward District and the Burghs situated therein.	Total Annual Value of Property during the Five Years ended 1876.	Quinquennial Average.	Proportions payable by County and Burghs.
Landward Part, -	£2,902,000 4 11	£580,400 1 0	£85 11 5
Glasgow, - - -	12,844,689 0 0	2,568,937 16 0	378 14 10
Rutherglen, - -	167,166 7 3	33,433 5 5	4 18 7
	£15,913,855 12 2	£3,182,771 2 5	£469 4 10

"The Commissioners also propose to pay the sum due at Martinmas, 1909, which is still outstanding, on condition that the amount is remitted to them according to the proportions shown in the above Table. This would represent an additional sum of £3 17s. 9d., making, in all, £89 9s. 2d.

"The Commissioners will be glad to receive from you, as soon as possible, a remittance for the latter amount.

"I am, Sir,

"Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) "D. CROMBIE,
"*Secretary.*

"The County Clerk,
"Hamilton."

Authority to pay County's quota.

The meeting, after consideration, and being satisfied with the assurance of the Prison Commissioners that the matter of the title was in order, instructed the Clerk to make payment of the sum of £89 9s. 2d. above mentioned to the Prison Commissioners.

As relative to the foregoing, the Clerk submitted a letter from the City Chamberlain, Glasgow, making a similar explanation as that given by the Prison Commissioners with reference to the feu-duty in question, and submitted a statement of the amount—£723 0s. 1d.—inadvertently paid, together with an allocation thereof amongst the constitution authorities on the basis of the foregoing table. *Letter from City Chamberlain, Glasgow.*

The amount brought out as due by the County of Lanark was £131 16s. 11d., and this sum the Clerk was instructed to pay over to the Corporation of Glasgow.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums, to meet the cost of capital works, viz. :— *Applications relative to borrowing.*

(1) £1,600 for the construction of Geil Bridge, in the Parish of Avondale.

(2) £6,250 for the provision and erection of a refuse destructor, including all necessary works, in connection with the Bellshill and Mossend Special Scavenging District.

The meeting having considered the above applications, and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 2nd March, 1910, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 2nd March, 1910.

Present—

William Barr.	Colonel Logan.
David J. Black.	A. D. Mack.
Robert G. Carson.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Fraser.	William Neilson.
Nathaniel Gold.	Alexander Pillans.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	John D. Scott.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 2nd February, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £38,446 3s. 10d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept book and the accounts and requisitions being initialed by Messrs. George Fraser and Nathaniel Gold, and the meeting remitted to any two members to sign cheques for the amounts stated in the precept book. *Accounts and Requisitions*

The Clerk submitted the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz. :— *Statement of loan indebtedness.*

Statement of Loan Indebtedness as at 26th February, 1910.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...				£894,002	9 8
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£12,090	0	0		
Loans repaid do., ...	9,785	0	0		
				2,305	0 0
				£896,307	9 8

The County Fund stands at £110,623 5s. 3d. to the credit, made up as follows:—

On deposit receipt,	...	...	...	...	...	£105,000	0	0
On account current,	...	...	...	...	...	5,623	5	3
						£110,623	5	3

Bank certificate.

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted a certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt.

Statement of collection of rates.

The Clerk also submitted the following statement of the collection of rates, viz.:—

STATEMENT OF THE COLLECTION OF RATES FOR 1909-10 AS AT 26TH FEBRUARY, 1910, AS COMPARED WITH 1908-9.

Percentage collected at same date last year.		District.	Amount levied.				Amount collected.				Percentage.
94·22	...	Airdrie,	£21,298	15	1½		£19,983	0	11	...	93·82
99·20	...	Biggar,	8,255	7	7		7,911	7	2	...	95·83
92·63	...	Glasgow,	67,453	5	4		61,260	11	2	...	90·82
94·08	...	Hamilton,	85,612	9	5		77,929	7	5	...	91·02
96·67	...	Lanark,	16,306	2	8		15,110	8	9	...	92·67
96·21	...	Strathaven,	8,832	14	9		8,469	4	8	...	95·88
94·14			£207,758	14	10½		£190,664	0	1		91·77
100·00		Railways,	19,452	6	4		19,452	6	3	...	100·00
94·69			£227,211	1	2½		£210,116	6	4		92·48

Decrease in percentage of rates collected in certain districts.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting, letters from the Collectors of Rates for the Glasgow, Hamilton, Lanark, and Biggar Districts, explaining the reason for the decrease in the percentage of rates collected in their respective districts as compared with last year.

Proposed extension of Burgh of Airdrie. —Report of sub-committee.

With reference to the proposed extension of the Burgh of Airdrie, Mr. Neilson, on behalf of the sub-committee appointed in connection with this matter, reported that they had had a meeting with the ratepayers in the South Biggar Road District, who had made a strong representation against their proposed inclusion within the burgh, and had urged that the County Council should not agree to the proposals of the Town Council for annexation, and that the sub-committee had given an assurance that they would report the result of the meeting to this committee. The meeting having regard to the urgent representation made on behalf of the ratepayers and to the whole circumstances of the case, instructed the Clerk to write to the Town Council stating that, in the circumstances, they could not see their way to proceed further in their negotiations with them.

Case of alleged false return by person in Parish of Glasgow.

The Clerk stated that, in the case of the alleged false Valuation Return by a person in the Parish of Glasgow, reported to the committee on 3rd November last, the Sheriff, after a proof, had found the charge proven and imposed a penalty of £3.

Request by Territorial Force Association for permission to have County Crest embodied in its common seal.

There having been submitted a request by the Territorial Force Association of the County, for permission to have the County Crest embodied in its common seal, the meeting agreed to remit the matter to the Convener and the Clerk with power to accede to the request, if they saw fit.

Request for grant towards building fund of Kibble Institution, Paisley.

The Clerk submitted a communication from the Governor of the Kibble Institution, Paisley, of date 9th February, stating that, as the accommodation for the training of boys committed to their care was inadequate, it was proposed to carry out extensive alterations at a cost of £4.000, and intimating a request for some financial assistance in the form of a grant towards the building fund. The Clerk having reminded the meeting that under the Children Act, 1908, power was conferred upon County Councils to build or co operate in the building of Reformatory Schools, it was remitted to him to make further inquiry into the matter and report.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works, viz. :— *Applications relative to borrowing.*

MIDDLE WARD.

(1) £5,000 for the construction of new footpaths within the Middle Ward District, during the year 1910-11 ;

(2) £3,500 for the provision and erection of a refuse destructor in connection with the Blantyre Special Scavenging District ;

(3) £70 19s. 1d., being the purchase price of ground and expenses for urinal at Main Street, Cambuslang, within the Cambuslang Special Scavenging District ;

(4) £5,300 for the construction of a storage tank at Glasford Filters, under the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Acts ; and

(5) £1,063 for the introduction of Middle Ward Water to Auldhouse Village and district, in the Parish of East Kilbride.

LOWER WARD.

(1) £7 10s. for the erection of lamps and lamp-posts within the extended area of the Bishopbriggs Special Lighting District ;

(2) £384 8s. 5d., being excess capital expenditure in connection with laying sewer in Duchess Street, Rutherglen, within the Rutherglen Landward Special Drainage District ; and

(3) £99 13s. 11d. for the acquisition of sewer in Blenheim Avenue, Stepps, within the Stepps Special Drainage District.

The meeting, having considered the above applications and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 6th April, 1910, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 6th April, 1910

Present—

WILLIAM BARR.	ROBERT LAMBIE.
DAVID J. BLACK.	Colonel LOGAN.
Colonel BUCHANAN.	WILLIAM NEILSON.
GEORGE FRASER.	ALEXANDER PILLANS.
NATHANIEL GOLD.	JOHN D. SCOTT.
ROBERT CARSON.	JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chair.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

6th April, 1910.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 2nd March, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Accounts and requisitions.

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £15,714 4s. 6d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept book and the accounts and requisitions being initialed by the Chairman and Mr. John D. Scott, and the meeting remitted to any two members to sign cheques for the amounts stated in the precept book.

Statement of loans.

The Clerk submitted the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz. :—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 2ND APRIL, 1910.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£896,307	9 8
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	£13,313 6 8		
Loans taken do., ...	12,963 6 8		
		350	0 0
		£895,957	9 8

The County Fund stands at £102,871 11s. 7d. to the credit, made up as follows :—

On deposit receipt, ...	£95,000 0 0
On account current, ...	7,871 11 7
	£102,871 11 7

Bank certificate.

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted a certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt.

Statement of collection of rates.

The Clerk also submitted the following statement of the collection of rates, viz. :—

STATEMENT OF THE COLLECTION OF RATES AT CLOSE OF COLLECTION OF 1909-10, AS COMPARED WITH 1908-1909.

Percentage collected at same date last year.		District.	Amount levied.	Amount collected.		Percentage.
96·71	...	Airdrie, - -	£21,298 15 1½	£20,658 0 5½	...	96·99
99·50	...	Biggar, - -	8,255 7 7	8,206 1 1½	...	99·41
94·74	...	Glasgow, M.W.,	24,552 4 6½	23,520 1 3	...	95·80
93·49	...	Do., L.W., -	42,901 0 9½	40,419 5 5	...	94·21
96·92	...	Hamilton, -	85,612 9 5	82,585 15 4	...	96·47
98·76	...	Lanark, - -	16,306 2 8	16,008 14 10	...	98·18
98·12	...	Strathaven, -	8,832 14 9	8,613 3 5	...	97·51
96·26			£207,758 14 10½	£200,011 1 10	...	96·27
100·00	...	Railways, -	19,452 6 4	19,452 6 4	...	100·00
96·62			£227,211 1 2½	£219,463 8 2		96·59

Recovery of rates outstanding.

It was remitted to the Clerk to instruct as to the recovery of the rates outstanding in the several districts.

The Clerk laid before the meeting an Abstract of the Collection Accounts, and a report by the County Auditor of his examination of the accounts of the several Collectors, which contained the following statement showing the result of each collection:— *Abstract of Collection Accounts.*

Name of Collector.	District.	Total Assessments as per Rolls.	Amount Collected.	Arrears.	Abatements and Reliefs sanctioned.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
W. B. Pairman, - -	1. Biggar, - - -	8,255 7 7	8,206 1 1½	35 18 9½	13 7 8
A. W. Paterson, - -	2. Lanark, - - -	16,306 2 8	16,008 14 10	194 10 7½	102 17 2½
W. D. Loudon, - -	3. Hamilton, - - -	85,612 9 5	82,585 15 4	2,482 5 1	544 9 0
R. M'Cowan, - -	4. Strathaven, . - -	8,832 14 9	8,613 3 5	139 10 4½	80 0 11½
J. A. Russell, - -	5. Airdrie, - - -	21,298 15 1½	20,658 0 5½	527 9 2	113 5 6
T. Tennent, - - -	6. Glasgow, L.W., - -	42,901 0 9½	40,419 5 5	2,311 12 10½	170 2 6
Do., - - -	7. Do., M.W., . -	24,552 4 6½	23,520 1 3	833 6 6	198 16 9½
The County Clerk, -	8. Railways, - - -	19,452 6 4	19,452 6 4	...	...
		£227,211 1 2½	219,463 8 2	6,524 13 5	1,222 19 7½

The Clerk also laid before the meeting a statement of the allocation of assessments to the several accounts of the County Fund, which was approved of. *Statement of allocation of assessments.*

There was also laid before the meeting a statement of the arrears of assessments for year 1908-9 and previous years, recovered, and an allocation thereof, amongst the several accounts interested, of which the meeting approved. The Clerk was authorised to strike out of his books all arrears outstanding from the assessments of 1908-9, leaving them, however, still open for recovery. *Statement of allocation of arrears recovered.*

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water undertaking, viz.:— *Middle Ward water requisitions.*

Requisition No. 125 (new), dated 24th March, 1910	...	£7	0 8
Do. (old), do.,	...	79	4 7

The Clerk submitted a further letter which he had received from Mr. James Annan, Town-Clerk, Lanark, dated 22nd March, on the subject of the Hunter Selkirk Collection, inquiring whether the opinion of an expert had yet been taken. The meeting agreed to continue this matter in the hands of the sub-committee already appointed in connection with it. *Hunter Selkirk bequest.—Further letter from Town-Clerk, Lanark.*

The Clerk stated that he had received through Mr. George Fraser a representation by the inhabitants of the Carfin District as to the inconvenience caused through the want of telegraph facilities, and that he had addressed a communication on the subject to the Secretary of the General Post Office, Edinburgh, expressing the hope that a telegraph office would be established there. The circumstances of the case having been explained, the meeting agreed to support the representation. *Representation by inhabitants of Carfin district for telegraph facilities.*

Authority was granted to the Clerk to destroy the ballot papers, &c., used in connection with the elections of the County Council and Parish Councils in December, 1907. *Election papers. — Destruction authorised.*

The Clerk having reminded the meeting that under Section 28 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, Clerks of the Peace were entitled to receive compensation in respect of loss of emoluments consequent upon their duties under the Petroleum Acts having been transferred to the County Clerk, it was agreed to remit the question to the following sub-committee for consideration and report, viz.:— *Petroleum Acts.—Compensation to Clerk of the Peace.—Remit to sub-committee.*

George Green. | Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.

Lands Valuation. — Clyde Navigation appeal against decision of judges.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the Opinion of the Valuation Judges in the Appeal for the Clyde Navigation Trustees and others against the decision of the Valuation Committee of the Lower Ward.

The Clerk stated that the facts of the case were briefly as follows:—

The valuation of the Clyde Navigation undertaking so far as situated in the County for the year 1908-9 was £46,000. The Assessor raised the valuation for the current year (*i.e.*, 1909-10) to £75,059. The Clyde Valley Trustees appealed, and craved that the amount should be reduced to £36,495, while the Govan Town Council complained, and craved that the valuation be increased to £87,520. The Valuation Committee of the Lower Ward, after hearing parties, fixed the valuation at £58,394, being an increase over the previous year's valuation of £12,394. The Valuation Committee's decision was upheld by the Valuation Judges.

In view of the importance of the judgment, the meeting instructed that a copy of the Opinion of the Judges should be appended to the minutes:—

Expenses opposing Bills in Parliament, 1909.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a statement, together with the relative vouchers, of the costs, charges, and expenses incurred by the County Council in opposing last session (1) the Glasgow Corporation Order, 1909, and subsitiuted Bill; (2) the Motherwell Burgh Order, 1909; and (3) the Hamilton Burgh Order, 1909. The meeting approved of the statement, which showed the total cost to be £276 18s., and passed the several accounts making up said sum for payment, subject to the legal accounts being taxed to meet the request of Mr. Dugald Bannatyne, C.A., who had been appointed by the Secretary for Scotland, in terms of the Statute, to examine said accounts of costs, charges, and expenses.

The Clerk added that the examination of the accounts had been made in public in the County Offices, Hamilton, on 17th March, after due intimation by advertisement, but that no ratepayer had made an inspection of the accounts or appeared at the examination.

Probation of Offenders Act, 1907.—List of officers.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication which he had received from Mr. W. Weir Grieve, Sheriff Clerk, Glasgow, transmitting, in terms of Rule 2 made by the Secretary for Scotland under Section 7 and 8 of the Probation of Offenders Act, 1907, a list of Probation Officers appointed by the Sheriff of the County for the year from 1st April, 1910, to 31st March, 1911. The list is as follows:—

1. Miss Marjorie M. Anderson, 10 Park Terrace West, Glasgow.
2. James Ferguson, 4 Gray Street, Sandyford, Glasgow.
3. George Gillie, 27 Overdale Gardens, Langside, Glasgow.
4. Daniel Ferguson, 36 Bank Street, Glasgow, West.
5. Walter Gillie, 108 North Hanover Street, Glasgow.
6. Mrs. Rebecca Jane Robertson, Parish Council Chambers, George Street, Glasgow.
7. Miss Mary Elizabeth Cairns, Parish Council Chambers, George Street, Glasgow.
8. James MacKay, 7 Carlton Place, S.S., Glasgow.
9. Colour-Sergeant James Morton, Roselea, Carluke.
10. Sergeant Glen, Drill Instructor, Blackwood, Lesmahagow.
11. John A. Masterton, Bellevue, Clydesdale Street, Hamilton.
12. Mrs. Masterton, Bellevue, Clydesdale Street, Hamilton.
13. James Gaffney, Commission Agent, 8 Orchard Street, Hamilton.
14. George Easton, Bar Officer and Keeper of the County Buildings, Airdrie.
15. Hugh Henderson, 15 Victoria Terrace, Cathcart.

The said Miss Marjorie M. Anderson, John A. Masterton, Mrs. Masterton, and James Gaffney to act as Honorary Probation Officers, and the said James Ferguson, George Gillie, Daniel Ferguson, Walter Gillie, Mrs. Rebecca Jane Robertson, and Miss Mary Elizabeth Cairns to act only in prosecutions under the Poor Law Acts at the instance of the Glasgow Parish Council, and the said James MacKay to act only in similar prosecutions at the instance of the Govan Combination Parish Council.

APPENDIX

OPINION

OF

LORD MACKENZIE

IN APPEALS

BY

(1) THE CLYDE NAVIGATION TRUSTEES;

(2) THE PROVOST, MAGISTRATES, AND COUNCILLORS OF THE BURGH OF GOVAN;

AND

(3) THE ASSESSOR FOR THE COUNTY OF LANARK (GOVAN BURGH DIVISION)

FOR

THE OPINION OF THE JUDGES UNDER THE VALUATION OF LANDS (SCOTLAND) ACTS.

THE rule laid down in 1866 for valuing the undertaking of the Clyde Trust has been followed down to 1907. It is said that this rule is no longer fair and reasonable, and that, owing to a material change of circumstances, it ought now to be altered. It was recognised by the judgment of this Court in 1908 (*Assessor for Lanarkshire* v. *Clyde Navigation Trustees,* 1908, S.C. 620) that, if a material change of circumstances were proved, it would be competent to reconsider the apportionment of the dues.

In 1866 the Valuation Judges arrived at what they considered "in reference to the whole circumstances of "the case, an equitable principle of adjustment." This was to exclude two-sixths of the dues for the use of the waterway of the two lower stages, and to deduct from the proportion of the dues applicable to the first or uppermost stage one-third as being fairly assignable to that portion of the subjects which is not assessable, *i.e.*, the waterway.

It appears to me that in adopting this method the Court did not lay down any principle which should necessarily rule under all circumstances. The reference in the judgment to Section 99 of the Clyde Navigation Act of 1858 was merely for the purpose of explaining that in the whole circumstances of the case as they existed in 1866, an apportionment for the purpose of valuation was considered equitable, which coincided with the apportionment prescribed by that section for the purpose of collection. Section 99 of the 1858 Act does not, in my opinion, necessarily afford a rule to be followed in valuing the undertaking. I am of opinion, however, upon the facts as presented to us in the present proceedings, that the exclusion of one-sixth of the dues on vessels and goods for each of the two lower stages should not be disturbed. This is the conclusion to which the Valuation Committee have come, on the ground that such a material change of circumstances has not been proved as would justify their altering the apportionment as regards the two lower stages.

As regards the uppermost stage matters are different. The change of circumstances which has been there most marked since 1866 ought, in my opinion, to affect the apportionment of the dues for this stage. By the creation of new docks their area has been doubled since 1866, and the quay space is four times as great, having increased from

4,536 to 15,087 lineal yards. In 1866 £1,000,000 had been spent on widening, deepening, and improving the waterway, including the purchase of lands, while the cost of works in the harbour liable to assessment had not exceeded £500,000. The balance sheets of the Clyde Trust, as at 30th June, 1908, show a total expenditure on harbour works, docks, and river of £7,936,925. This is exclusive of dredging machines, barges, &c., cranes and other harbour appliances, and cross-ferry boats and landing places. Of this total the amount applicable to river is £1,721,315, or little more than one-fifth of the total capital expenditure. The expenditure has not been unprofitable. In 1866 the total revenue from the uppermost stage was £124,066 3s. 7d.; in 1908 it was £554,040, nearly four times as much. Added to this is the fact that a considerable area of land previously subject to assessment had been taken for the purposes of the undertaking. In the case of the Prince's Dock there is an area of 100 acres included in the works, which, before the docks were made, formed good building land. These are all facts which go to show that it is no longer equitable (as it was held to be in 1866) to assign only two-thirds of the dues applicable to the uppermost stage to that portion of the subjects which is assessable.

The effect given by the Valuation Committee to these considerations is to allow a deduction of 15 per cent. (instead of $33\frac{1}{3}$ per cent., or one-third as formerly) from the two-thirds of the dues applicable to the uppermost stage. This is, in my opinion, reasonable.

The conclusion of the Valuation Committee is that the valuation of the subjects in Govan should be £58,394. The figure for which the Assessor contended (according to his amended valuation) was £70,429. The Burgh of Govan maintained it should be £87,520. The Clyde Trustees argued that it should be £36,495.

The Committee have treated the Clyde Trust as a profit-earning undertaking, and, in this, I think they are clearly right. The accounts laid before us show that the Trustees have spent on the undertaking sums greatly in excess of the amounts they have borrowed. These were derived from the surplus revenue. Their statutes do not preclude them from making a profit, though they are limited by the provisions of the statutes in the application of the profit. The Committee have found that the Trust does, in fact, make a profit, and accordingly that tenants' profits should be allowed, and the valuation made on a tenants' profit basis. This is a conclusion quite consistent with the authorities, of which the Mersey Docks Case in 1901, A.C. 175, is an illustration. Although, in opening the case for Govan, Counsel criticised these percentages allowed by the Committee for depreciation and tenants' profits, I did not understand this was pressed. In any view the rates appear fair.

A more difficult question arises upon the contention, which was lucidly stated by the Counsel for the Assessor (the same contention being supported by Govan), that the deduction of the two-sixths for the two lower stages, and, as a consequence, the deduction of the further 15 per cent. from the two-thirds applicable to the uppermost stage, should be, not from gross revenue (the method adopted by the Committee) but from net revenue. If Appendix I. is looked at it will be seen that from the sum of £497,296 brought out by the Committee as the gross revenue applicable to the waterway and to the subjects to be assessed, the first item deducted is two-sixths for the waterway of the second and third stages—£136,552—and then 15 per cent. for the waterway of the first stage—£40,965—making a total of £177,517. This leaves a net figure for the harbour undertaking of £297,554, and it is

from this that the expenditure of £104,983 allowed by the Committee is deducted. The assessor maintains that the undertaking should be valued as a *unum quid*, and that the expenditure allowed by him should be charged against the whole revenue brought into account, on the ground that the expenditure at any one stage of the river is as necessary to the other stages as the expenditure specifically incurred there. The effect on the allowance by the Committee of £20,488 for taxes would be (if the Assessor's contention were sustained) to diminish this amount, first by the deduction of one-third and then by the further deduction of 15 per cent. from the remaining two-thirds. This would reduce the sum of £20,488 by close on £9,000, and would correspondingly increase the valuation (on this item alone) by that amount, and proportionally increase the valuation in Govan. The objection to the Committee's method as stated by the Counsel for the Assessor was that it would localise the taxes on the uppermost stage. The answer, however, is that the taxes are localised there already, being payable on the heritable subjects in the first stage. Applying the same principle, the Committee have localised expenses which are applicable to the part of the undertaking which is not assessable, *e.g.*, lighthouses and gas buoys, dykes and beacons. The method adopted by the Committee is not unreasonable. They have first apportioned the gross revenue between the uppermost and the two lower stages, and then made up a detailed statement of expenditure to be deducted from the assessable subjects. In doing so they have excluded what is specifically applicable to the non-assessable portions, allowed in full what is specifically applicable to the assessable subjects, and apportioned expenditure which is common to both the assessable and non-assessable subjects. The Committee have evidently bestowed great care upon the question of how the different items of expenditure should be dealt

with, and, though feeling the force of the argument for the Assessor, I do not think the method adopted by the Committee should be disturbed.

It was argued that the allowance of £7,578 for dredging is not sufficient. On this point Counsel for the Assessor stated that he acquiesced in the view of the Committee, and I agree that their conclusion is a fair one. The Committee have added to miscellaneous revenue a sum of £1,758, and this is objected to by the Clyde Trustees on the ground that it forms no part of the revenue of the subjects under valuation and was not included by the Assessor. The reason given by Mr. R. C. Millar, C.A., for including this item seems sufficient, that as interest on tenants' floating capital is deducted the items which make up the £1,758 should be credited.

I am accordingly of opinion that the determination of the Committee is right.

Lords Low and Dundas concurred.

4th May, 1910. 63

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th May, 1910, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 4th May, 1910.

Present—

William Barr.	Robert Lambie.
David J. Black.	A. D. Mack.
George Fraser.	William Neilson.
George Green.	Alexander Pillans.
Robert G. Carson.	John D. Scott.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	William Templeton.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 6th April, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of, and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

With reference to the question of the collection of the County Rates the chairman stated that the sub-committee had very carefully considered the arrangements which the proposed change in the system of collection would involve, and also the exceptional circumstances relating to the position of the Collector for the Glasgow District, and he reported the recommendations of the sub-committee as these are contained in the minutes of dates 16th March and 4th current which form Appendices I. and II. to this minute. *Collection of County Rates.—Report by sub-committee.*

The meeting, after consideration, unanimously approved of the report of the sub-committee as contained in the minutes above-mentioned.

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £76,458 11s. 9d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept book and the accounts and requisitions being initialed by the chairman and Mr. Robert G. Carson, and the meeting remitted to any two members to sign cheques for the amounts stated in the precept book. *Accounts and requisitions.*

The Clerk explained that included in the precept book were—

(1) Claim by the Glasgow Corporation Police Department for a contribution in terms of the arrangement come to between the County and the City for services of the City Fire Brigade at fires within the County area between 14th March and 10th April, 1910, the amount involved being £64 14s. 6d.; *Fire Brigade.—Claim by Glasgow Corporation Police Department.*

(2) The accounts of the J.P. clerks and fiscals for the year 1909, of which the following was an abstract shewing a comparison with the preceding year:— *Accounts of J.P. clerks and fiscals.*

J. P. Clerks.

	1908.	1909.
J.P. Clerk, Lower Ward, ...	£600 8 4	£441 19 9
„ Middle Ward, ...	1,905 9 3	1,859 13 4
„ Upper Ward, ...	112 3 8	118 0 0
	£2,618 1 3	£2,419 13 1

Decrease, £198 8s. 2d.

J. P. Fiscals.

	1908.	1909.
J.P. Fiscal, Hamilton (salary, £700), ...	£937 19 9	£903 8 3
„ Airdrie (salary, £400), ...	482 13 6	483 14 11
„ Glasgow (salary, £450), ...	543 12 6	524 2 2
Lanark, ...	90 2 11	153 18 1
	£2,054 8 8	£2,065 3 5

Decrease, £10 14s. 9d.

Fines Received.

	1908.	1909.
Hamilton, ...	£1,555 15 2	£1,353 15 0
Airdrie, ...	814 11 3	650 18 2
Glasgow, ...	448 14 11	282 1 6
Lanark, ...	54 15 6	54 15 11
	£2,873 16 10	£2,341 10 7

Decrease in Fines, £532 6 3

Decrease—J Clerks, £198 8 2
„ J. P. Fiscals, 10 14 9
209 2 11

Balance—being increased cost to the County, £323 3s. 4d.

The meeting approved of the accounts in both cases and passed them for payment.

Statement of loans.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz. :—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 30TH APRIL, 1910.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£895,957 9 8
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	£4,606 2 5	
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	1,500 0 0	
		3,106 2 5
		£892,851 7 3

The County Fund stands at £84,955 to the credit, made up as follows :—

On Deposit Receipt, ...	£70,000 0 0
On Account Current, ...	14,955 0 0
	£84,955 0 0

Middle Ward Water requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, viz. :—

Requisition No. 126 (new), dated 30th April, 1910, ... £924 17 9
Do. No. 134 (old), do., ... 183 0 4

Probation of Offenders Act. — Mrs. Masterton.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting the Clerk submitted to the meeting a further communication which he had received from Mr. W. Weir Grieve, Sheriff-Clerk, Glasgow, dated 16th ultimo, intimating that Mrs. Masterton, Bellvue, Clydesdale Street, Hamilton, could not see her way to accept the appointment as Honorary Probation Officer under the Probation of Offenders Act, 1907.

Missive of Feu between Mr. A. J. C. Farie of Farme and the County Council.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting Missive of Feu between Mr. A. J. C. Farie of Farme and the County Council, of ground required as a site for purification works for the treatment of sewage from parts of the Middle and Lower Wards of the County, and stated that he did so in order that he might direct the attention of the committee to one of the conditions which the missive contained, and which stipulated that whatever increment duty might require to be paid under the new Finance Act should be borne equally by the superior and the County Council. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to take no exception to this condition.

Non-delivery of letters on Tuesday evenings in Mount Vernon District.

The Clerk laid before the meeting letters which he had received from Mr. John Laird, Honorary Secretary for the Improvements Committee of Mount Vernon District, complaining of the inconveniences caused to the ratepayers in that district by the non-delivery of letters on Tuesday evenings, consequent upon the granting of a half-holiday on Tuesdays to postmen in the Shettleston and Tolleross Districts. The Clerk having reminded the meeting of the circumstances, it was agreed to continue the matter for further consideration pending the result of further inquiry into it.

Staff salaries.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a list showing the salaries of the various members of his staff in order that the committee might consider the question of granting increases in certain cases. After discussion, the meeting agreed that as regards junior clerks power be given to the County Clerk to give such increases as he may think proper by annual increments until a salary of £80 per annum is reached. With respect to senior clerks, the meeting remitted to the following sub-committee to consider the matter and report, viz. :—

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell. | George Green.
William Neilson.

Government Grant towards cost of Police pay and clothing.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the following statement showing the allocation of the grant received from Government towards the cost of Police pay and clothing, viz. :—

	Approved expenditure.	Proportion of Grant.
General expenditure. ...	£1,947 14 4	£725 19 1
Hamilton District, ...	10,238 10 2	3,816 1 11
Motherwell do., ...	1,898 3 4	707 9 9
Lanark do., ...	3,428 11 2	1,277 17 11
Airdrie do., ...	4,511 7 3	1,681 9 6
Lower Ward do., ...	5,473 1 9	2,039 18 7
Clothing, ...	1,401 19 11	522 11 1
	£28,899 7 11	£10,771 7 10

Remit to sub-committee.

The Clerk stated that the grant received this year again showed a reduction, the grant being equal to 7s. 5¼d. per £ as against 7s. 7¾d. per £ last year. The meeting, after consideration, agreed that representations be made to Parliament with a view to Scotland being placed upon an equal footing with England in the matter of grants towards police pay and clothing, and remitted to the sub-committee appointed with reference to the grant received under the Agricultural Rates, &c., Act., to take such steps in connection with the matter as they may consider advisable.

Medical and Sanitary Officer's grant.

The Clerk also submitted to the meeting a statement showing the allocation of the Medical and Sanitary Officer's grant, which was as follows :—

	Expenditure allowed.	Amount of Grant.
Public Health (Upper Ward), ...	£561 10 1	£171 11 5
Do. (Middle Ward), ...	2,215 1 6	676 18 0
Do. (Lower Ward), ...	788 9 1	240 18 11
	£3,565 0 8	£1,089 8 4

being equal to 6s. 1¼d. per £, as against 6s. 1½d. per £ last year.

Term payments, &c.

The meeting agreed to remit to any two members to examine and pass for payment if found correct, all accounts and requisitions which it may be considered desirable should be paid before the closing of the accounts for the current year, and to sign cheques therefor, and all those necessary for cross entries required to close the accounts of the County Fund at 15th May current.

APPENDIX I.

FOR PRIVATE USE ONLY

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* COLLECTION OF COUNTY RATES.

16th March, 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 16th March, 1910, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark on the subject of the Collection of County Rates.

Present—

David J. Black.	Robert Lambie.
George Fraser.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Green.	William Neilson.

Chairman. Mr. Neilson, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Remit. The Clerk also submitted and read to the meeting the remit to the sub-committee, as contained in the minutes of the Finance Committee of date 2nd February, 1910.

Remit to Clerk to draw up a draft scheme. The meeting, after discussion, and on the assumption that the proposed change in the system of the collection of rates would be approved of by the County Council, remitted to the Clerk to draw up a draft scheme detailing the arrangements which he thought it would be necessary to make, including the itinerary and the extra staff required, both permanent and temporary, together with an estimate of the cost.

Method for recovery of arrears of Assessments. With reference to the question of the method for recovery of the arrears of assessments, the meeting agreed that the present system be continued meantime.

APPENDIX II.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* COLLECTION OF COUNTY RATES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th May, 1910, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark on the subject of the Collection of County Rates. 4th May, 1910.

Present—

David J. Black.	Robert Lambie.
George Green.	William Neilson.
George Fraser.	Alexander Pillans.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk submitted and read the minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, held on 16th ultimo, and the same were approved of. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk stated that, as instructed at last meeting, he had prepared a scheme showing the estimated cost of collecting the County Rates if the duties were in future to be performed by him and his staff, and that he had sent a copy of the scheme to each member of the sub-committee. *Scheme showing estimated cost of collecting County Rates.*

The meeting, having fully considered the scheme, expressed themselves as satisfied that the proposals and estimates of the County Clerk were in all respects reasonable and satisfactory, and agreed that the scheme should be printed and submitted to the County Council as relative to the recommendations of the Finance Committee. *Scheme approved of.*

With regard to the position of the Collector of the County Rates for the Glasgow District, the meeting approved of the suggestion that there should meantime be a sub-office in Glasgow, and agreed to recommend that, in the event of the adoption of the change in the system of collection, the services of the present collector, Mr. Thomas Tennent, should be retained on fair and reasonable terms. *Collector of Rates for Glasgow District.*

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* COLLECTION OF RATES.

SCHEME PREPARED BY THE COUNTY CLERK IN OBEDIENCE TO INSTRUCTIONS OF SUB-COMMITTEE, SHOWING ESTIMATED COST OF COLLECTING COUNTY RATES IF DUTIES PERFORMED FROM COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

In his report to the Finance Committee, of date 31st December last, on the subject of the collection of rates, the County Clerk stated "on the question of relative cost of collection, it is difficult to give a correct comparison or estimate, but having considered the question, the County Clerk is of opinion that the actual estimated outlay which he would incur would be somewhat similar to the amount at present paid by the Collectors, viz., £1,280." The sub-committee have asked the County Clerk to submit a scheme showing how this sum would be spent, and the following notes have been prepared in compliance with the request of the committee.

It may be convenient to consider the question of cost under the undernoted heads, and in this connection it may be explained that, for reasons stated to the committee, the County Clerk is of opinion that it will be necessary to have, for the meantime at least, a sub-office in Glasgow. His figures are accordingly based on this assumption. The heads of cost are :—

(1) Clerical assistance.
(2) Postage and receipt stamps, and messengers delivering Notices.
(3) Hire of halls, railway fares, and incidental expenses in connection with outdoor collections.
(4) Office charges.
(5) Guarantee premium.
(6) Other expenses.

1. Clerical Assistance.

It is understood that most of the work in connection with the issuing of Notices and Receipts is at present carried out in the Collectors' offices by temporary clerks at a rate of remuneration calculated according to the number of Notices and Receipts written. This system, which is on the same principle as that at present prevailing in the County Clerk's office in connection with the copying of the Valuation Roll and the writing of the Assessment Roll, is found to be satisfactory to all parties, ensuring as it does that a clerk is paid according to his ability and industry.

On the basis of the following rates of pay, which are on somewhat generous lines and would certainly not be exceeded, the cost of filling up the Notices and Receipts and comparing same would be as follows :—

Filling up 140,580 Demand Notes (this year's figure) at, say, 1s. 2d. per 100,				£82
Filling up same number of Receipts	do.	do.	do.,	82
Filling up 57,658 Final Notices	do.	do.	do.,	34
Total cost of writing Notices, ...				£198
Cost of comparing done by clerks in evenings at 1s. per hour, ...				55
Total cost of writing and comparing Notices, ...				£253

Brought forward, ...	£253
Add—Temporary clerks assisting permanent staff at collections—say 130 collections at 10s. per collection, ...	65
Five temporary clerks (two in Hamilton and three in Glasgow) engaged during collection, *i.e.*, after Notices issued, each at 40s. per week to cover night work—say, average of 14 weeks, ...	140
Permanent staff supervising outdoor collections and discharging additional responsibilities in offices (Glasgow and Hamilton), and provision for any addition to permanent staff that may be found necessary, ...	300
Total cost of clerical assistance, ...	£758

2. Postage and Receipt Stamps and Messengers delivering Notices.

The present cost is £230, but the County Clerk estimates £260, ...	260

3. Hire of Halls, Railway Fares, and Incidental Expenses in connection with Outdoor Collections.

The present cost is £69, but the County Clerk estimates £100, ...	100

4. Office Charges.

Glasgow, ...	£56	
Hamilton, ...	14	
		70

5. Guarantee Premium.

Say, ...	50

6. Other Expenses.

Say, ...	42
Total, being the total cost at present incurred by the Collectors, ...	£1,280

The following is a Table of the Outdoor Collections held during the current year:—

Date.	Hours.	Outdoor Collection.
Nov. 20 ...	12¾— 2¾ ...	1. Carmunnock.
22 ...	3 — 6 ...	1. Linthouse.
27 ...	1 — 3 ...	1. Rutherglen.
29 to Dec. 3	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
Dec. 4 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10½— 3½ ...	2. Chryston.
	10 — 3 ...	3. Carnwath.
	3 — 8 ...	4. Stonehouse.
Dec. 6 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	12½— 2½ ...	3. Millerston.
	11 — 7 ...	4. Wishaw.
Dec. 7 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Wishaw.
	11 — 1 ...	4. Tollcross.
	1½— 2½ ...	4. Carmyle.
Dec. 8 ...	9½— 2½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Wishaw.
	10½— 1 ...	4. Bishopbriggs.
	2½— 3½ ...	4. Lenzie.

Date.	Hours.	Outdoor Collection.
Dec. 9 ...	9½— 2½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Wishaw.
	10 — 1 ...	4. Shotts.
Dec. 10 ...	9½— 4½ ..	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ..	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Motherwell.
	1½— 3 ...	4. Garnqueen.
	4 — 5 ...	Gartcosh.
Dec. 11 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Motherwell.
	2 — 4 ...	4. Chapelton.
	6 — 8 ...	Glasford.
	10 —10½ ...	5 Salsburgh.
	11½— 2 ...	Harthill.
	10 — 2 ...	6. Forth.
	10 — 4 ...	7. Shettleston.
	2 — 7 ...	8. Low Blantyre.
Dec. 13 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Motherwell.
	10 — 3 ...	4. Tollcross.
Dec. 14 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Motherwell.
	10 — 1 ...	4. Cleland.
	2 — 2½ ...	Calderbank.
Dec. 15 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	2 — 7 ...	3. High Blantyre.
Dec. 16 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Uddingston.
	3 — 5 ...	4. Carstairs.
	10 — 2½ ...	5. Baillieston.
Dec. 17 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Uddingston.
	11 — 6 ...	4. Carluke.
Dec. 18 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	2 — 6 ...	3. Stanc.
	11 — 7 ...	4. Larkhall.
	3 — 8 ...	5. Stonehouse.
	10 — 3 ...	6. Abington.
	10½—11 ...	7. Calderbank.
	12 — 1 ...	Longriggend.
	2 — 2½ ...	Greengairs.
	10 — 4 ...	8. Cambuslang.
Dec. 20 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Larkhall.
	1 — 4 ...	4. East Kilbride.
	5½— 6¼ ...	Busby.

Date	Hours.	Outdoor Collection.
Dec. 21 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Larkhall.
	6 — 8 ...	4. Strathaven.
Dec. 22 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 2 ...	3. Chapelhall.
	11 — 6 ...	4. Lesmahagow.
Dec. 23 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 —12 ...	3. Carnbroe.
	2 — 6 ...	4. Newarthill.
	5 — 7½ ...	4. Law.
Dec. 24 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Mossend.
	11 — 3½ ...	4. Douglas.
Dec. 25 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Bellshill.
	11 — 6 ...	4. Carluke.
	12 —12½ ...	5. Bargeddie.
	1½— 2½ ...	5. Glenboig.
	10 — 4 ...	6. Cambuslang.
Dec. 27 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	3 — 8 ...	3. Stonehouse.
	11 — 2 ...	4. Newton.
Dec. 28 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Holytown.
	6 — 8 ...	4. Strathaven.
	11 — 1½ ...	5. Kirkmuirhill.
	4 — 5½ ...	5. Crossford.
Dec. 29 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 7 ...	3. Bothwell.
Dec. 30 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.
	11 — 2 ...	3. Dalserf.
	2 — 6 ...	4. Carfin.
Dec. 31 ...	9½— 4½ ...	1. Govan.
	10 — 5 ...	2. Partick.

To the foregoing would fall to be added in future years Biggar, Lanark, Strathaven, and Airdrie. Until those of the public who are in use to make payment of their rates at those places get accustomed to the change, it might be desirable to give a larger number of collection days than are allowed in other parts of the County. The County Clerk would propose that each outdoor collection should be in charge of a member of his permanent staff, and that also a member of the permanent staff should be in charge of the Glasgow office. It will be observed from the above that the number of separate collections on the same day vary from one to eight. It is obvious, however, that if the work is to be done from one central office, dates could be so arranged as to even up this number so as not to exceed, say, four in the same day, and in this connection the County Clerk would explain that he has at least six expert clerks who could be drawn upon to take the responsibility of these collections.

The committee are reminded that the foregoing scheme deals with the work of collecting up to the date of closing the collection, and no further. After the close of the collection, which is usually the 15th March, the collectors in the Biggar, Lanark, Strathaven, Hamilton, and Airdrie Districts, have no further duties or responsibilities. The Summary Warrants in these cases are put into the hands of officers who collect on commission. In the Glasgow Collection District, however, the collector takes charge of the Recovery of Arrears.

The County Clerk has not information which enables him to deal specifically with the actual cost of collection of assessment arrears, but, having applied his mind to the matter, he considers that, at the very least, 40 per cent. of the amount at present paid by the County Council could be saved, if it is desired that the County Clerk should undertake the duties of collecting the arrears of assessment, a duty which would seem to fall naturally into the ordinary collection work. What the County Clerk would suggest in this connection would be the addition to the County staff of say two qualified officers, who besides being available for the work of recovery of arrears, would also be available for any duties which might be assigned to them throughout the whole period of the collection. A few temporary outdoor collectors might also require to be employed for a month or so after the close of the collection to expedite the work of recovery. The total cost to the County Council for collecting arrears last year was £856. This year it is about £200 more. Accordingly, taking, say, £1,000 as about the average future cost, the estimated saving to the County Council by laying the duties of collecting arrears on the County Clerk would be at least £400, probably more.

Perhaps it should be noted that under the Summary Warrants the officers are entitled to 10 per cent. of costs, but in his calculations the County Clerk has not taken this into account, as he has no data to work upon, it being understood that a considerable part of this is lost mainly for the reason that in many cases proceedings by way of Small Debt Summonses are resorted to as being more effective. When that course is adopted proceedings under the Summary Warrant have of course to be dropped.

In conclusion, the County Clerk would observe that if the new duties proposed to be laid upon him are to include the recovery of the assessment arrears, it may be for consideration whether, instead of engaging so many temporary clerks one or two experienced clerks should not be added to the permanent staff. Such a course would, no doubt, commend itself to the committee. It would be in the best interests of efficiency, and in view of the fact that the added staff would have duties to attend to all the year round, no objection could be taken to the suggestion from the point of view of economy. On the contrary, the County Clerk considers that a saving would be effected by the adoption of this course

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT-COMMITTEE *RE* CAMBUSLANG ELECTRICITY AND REFUSE DESTRUCTION WORKS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 5th January, 1910, being a meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council and of the District Committee in connection with the Refuse Destruction and Electric Lighting Works at Cambuslang. — 5th January, 1910.

Present—

David J. Black. | Robert Lambie.
Colonel A. L. H. Buchanan. | William Neilson.
James Tonner.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, District Clerk.
W. L. Douglass, District Engineer.
A. J. Abraham, Resident Engineer.

Mr. Black was appointed chairman of the meeting. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 10th November, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

With reference to the extension of the Prospect Avenue Feeder Cable, the Clerk reported that, so far, the efforts to obtain a wayleave had not proved successful, and the meeting remitted the matter to the local representatives on the committee, with powers, provided that the sum to be paid in respect of the wayleave should not exceed £25. — *Prospect Avenue Feeder Cable.—Remit to local representatives.*

The Clerk reported that an arrangement had been come to with the proprietors of the Roller Skating Rink, Cambuslang, for lighting the premises with electricity, the terms of the agreement being 4d. per unit for lighting and 2d. per unit for power, a guarantee being also given that there would be consumed annually energy equal to, at least, £20 per year for a period of three years. It was estimated that the cost of making the connection would be from £30 to £35. — *Lighting of Roller Skating Rink.*

Report on cables by Resident Engineer.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a report by the Resident Engineer with reference to certain defects in the undertaking, which the meeting, after discussion, continued for further consideration.

Reports on Boilers Nos. 1 and 2.

There were laid before the meeting reports by the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Limited, of examinations of the Lancashire Steam Boilers Nos. 1 and 2, both of which were satisfactory.

Report on Dynamos Nos. 1 and 2.

There was also laid before the meeting a report by the Scottish Boiler Insurance and Engine Inspection Company, Limited, of an examination of the Dynamos Nos. 1 and 2, both of which were stated to be in order.

Advertising.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a draft advertisement which it was proposed should be printed in the form of a circular or letter and distributed in Cambuslang. The meeting, after consideration, approved generally of the terms of the proposed advertisement, and authorised its issue at such time as may be considered most opportune.

Communication from Clyde Valley Company.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Resident Engineer, of date 3rd current, enclosing one from the Manager of the Clyde Valley Company, which was in the following terms, viz. :—

"53 Bothwell Street,
"Glasgow, 22nd December, 1909.

"A. J. ABRAHAM, Esq.,
"Electricity Works, Bothwell Street,
"Cambuslang, N.B.

"DEAR SIR,

"Referring to our conversation of this afternoon, and in reply to your favour of 18th ultimo, I now beg to confirm the offer that if an arrangement is entered into as from the 1st January next, that up to a consumption of 20,000 units we charge a flat rate of 1½d. per unit, you on your part agreeing to take and pay for not less than this amount of current during the year, and for all current used over the 20,000 units during the year we will charge at the rate of 1d. This arrangement to come into force as at the 1st of January, 1910, and continue for a period of five years.

"Yours faithfully,
"*For* THE CLYDE VALLEY ELECTRICAL POWER COMPANY,
"D. A. STARR,
"*General Manager.*"

The Resident Engineer having stated that, in his opinion, the terms stated in the above communication were not satisfactory, the meeting continued the matter for further consideration.

Works record.

A copy of the Works Record forms Appendix I. to this minute.

APPENDIX I.

WORKS' RECORD.

Week ending (1909-1910).	Units Generated by Refuse.	Units Generated Coal, &c.	Units used by Street Lighting.	Units used in Station.	Water used. (Gallons.)	Coal used. T. C. Q.	Refuse Destroyed. T. C. Q.	Units Bought from Clyde Valley Company.	Total Units Generated.	Total Units Generated Corresponding Week last Year (1908).
October 23,	2,762	319	1,534	75	32,110	2 2 0	96 7 3	...	3,081	2,862
30,	3,332	...	1,585	119	34,970	...	89 4 1	...	3,332	3,194
November 6,	3,028	379	1,620	88	35,180	2 19 2	94 15 2	...	3,407	3,551
13,	3,589	...	1,709	84	40,070	...	88 0 1	...	3,589	3,603
20,	3,882	306	1,793	113	37,570	...	100 14 2	408	4,188	3,565
27,	3,876	...	1,806	102	39,180	...	124 2 0	...	3,876	3,699
December 4,	3,343	715	1,834	114	40,530	4 10 2	103 0 0	80	4,058	3,983
11,	3,652	841	1,844	115	39,450	2 19 2	118 14 1	241	4,493	3,865
18,	4,278	62	1,853	119	44,720	...	108 18 0	21	4,340	4,051
25,	4,124	151	1,815	105	43,150	0 7 0	108 7 2	43	4,275	4,290
1910. January 1,	4,200	90	1,825	115	46,470	...	118 13 0	87	4,290	1909. 4,243

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 9th February, 1910, being a meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council and of the District Committee in connection with the Refuse Destruction and Electric Lighting Works at Cambuslang. 9th February, 1910.

Present—

DAVID J. BLACK.
Col. BUCHANAN.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM LOVE.
WILLIAM NEILSON.

Attending—

W. E. WHYTE, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
A. J. Abraham, Resident Engineer.

Mr. Love was appointed chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 5th January, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, were submitted. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Prospect Avenue feeder cable.

The Clerk reported the result of his negotiations for a wayleave in connection with the extension of the Prospect Avenue feeder cable.

The meeting, after consideration, authorised the Clerk to complete agreements with the parties named, on the following terms:—

(1) Mr. R. M. M'Letchie, Dungarry—a payment of £12 in respect of the wayleave through his garden and along the private lane leading to the garden gate at the back of his property; and

(2) Mr. James M. Davidson, Gordon Lodge, and Mr. D. Shanks, Brownside Road—each a sum of £2 10s., and an annual payment of 1s. in respect of their rights in the private lane referred to;

the conditions common to each agreement being (1) that, in the event of the erection of any buildings, or a change of circumstances necessitating the removal of the cable, the committee shall, when required, remove the cable; and (2) that the committee shall restore the surface of the ground to a satisfactory condition.

The meeting agreed that, failing the acceptance of the above terms and conditions by the several parties referred to, the cable should be laid along the highway.

Cable system.—Further consideration.

The meeting, having further discussed the report of the Resident Engineer, which was submitted to the last meeting of the committee, and which related to certain defects of the undertaking as originally laid down, instructed the Clerk to communicate with Messrs. Hunter & Jack, Electrical Engineers, who advised the committee at the inauguration of the scheme, with a view to affording them an opportunity of making, should they so wish, any observations in regard to the matter.

Extension in Wellshot Drive.

At the request of the local sub-committee, the committee authorised an extension of the street lighting cable at Wellshot Drive, at an estimated cost of £10.

Main dynamo armature.—Report by Resident Engineer.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Resident Engineer reporting the burning out of No. 1 main dynamo armature on 21st January last, and stating that from a report by Messrs. Mavor & Coulson, who repaired the dynamo, it would appear that the breakdown was due to defective workmanship.

Communication from Clyde Valley Company.

The Resident Engineer reported that he had been in further communication with the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company on the subject of the readjustment of the the terms of the present agreement with them, and he submitted a letter which he had received from the General Manager, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"53 Bothwell Street,
"Glasgow, 14th January, 1910.

"DEAR SIR,

"I am in receipt of yours of yesterday's date, and have carefully noted contents.

"I do not think that 20,000 units per annum would be at all an unreasonable quantity for you to use at Cambuslang, in view of the expense we have been put to in carrying our cables to your power-house.

"I presume the mention of 1st January, 1909, in the first line of your letter probably would mean 1st January, 1910, or 31st December, 1909.

"I have considered the minima which you mention for five years, and really think these could be improved somewhat, making a more presentable proposition to my company; and without incurring any very great obligation on your undertaking, I would suggest that the minimum payment for the first year, 1910, should be £50; for the second year, 1911, £70; for the third year, 1912, £100; for the fourth year, 1913, £125; and for the fifth year, 1914, £150; the rate to be 1½d. per unit, and you to also agree that for all future extensions the supply to be taken from this company.

"Trusting you will see your way clear to recommend this to your committee.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"D. A. STARR,
"*General Manager.*"

The meeting, after consideration, did not see their way meantime to agree to the terms indicated in the above letter, and continued the matter for further consideration.

There was also submitted a letter from the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company, of date 21st January, with reference to dampness in the sub-station, but consideration of the matter was delayed.

Dampness in Sub-Station.—Letter from Clyde Valley Company.

A copy of the works record from the week ending 8th January to 5th February forms Appendix I. to this minute.

Works record.

The Clerk reported that the only objections which had been lodged against the Order were those of the Caledonian Railway Company, whose chief objection related to the obligations resting upon them with reference to the maintenance of bridges and accesses thereto.

Cambuslang Electric Lighting Extension Order.—Objections.

The meeting appointed Mr. Black to attend, if necessary, along with the Chairman of the Parliamentary Bills Committee and the Clerk, the Board of Trade Inquiry, should the Board consider it necessary to hold one.

The Clerk submitted and read a letter from Mr. W. L. Douglass, District Engineer, of date 8th current, reporting that his assistant, when inspecting the fencing recently erected and repaired, found that some persons had excavated a hole underneath the iron fence at the back of Buchanan Square.

Fencing.—Letter from District Engineer.

The Clerk was instructed to direct the attention of the police to the matter, with a view to the detection of the guilty person and the prevention of further damage.

APPENDIX.

WORKS RECORD.

Week ending 1910.	Units generated, Refuse.	Units generated, Coal, &c.	Units used Street Lighting.	Units used in Station.	Water used. Gallons.	Coal used.			Refuse destroyed.			Units bought from Clyde Valley.	Total Units generated.	Total Units generated corresponding period, 1909.
						Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.	Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.			
Jan. 8,	3,583	586	1,835	110	42,780	3	14	2	82	18	0	64	4,169	4,017
,, 15,	3,109	747	1,773	111	40,290	3	13	2	107	8	0	29	3,856	3,818
,, 22,	3,243	426	1,693	127	37,650	0	3	2	115	2	2	275	3,669	3,749
,, 29,	3,343	285	1,681	98	38,540	None.			133	7	2	236	3,628	3,534
Feb. 5,	3,354	None.	1,629	138	41,200	None.			120	18	2	None.	3,354	3,280

NOTE.—Units bought from Clyde Valley due to breakdown of No. 1 Dynamo.

A. J. ABRAHAM.

23rd March, 1910. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 23rd March, 1910, being a meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council and of the District Committee of the Middle Ward in connection with the Refuse Destruction and Electric Lighting Works at Cambuslang.

Present—

David J. Black.
Colonel Buchanan.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Love.
William Neilson.
James Tonner.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
W. L. Douglass, District Engineer.
A. J. Abraham, Resident Engineer.

Chairman of meeting. Mr. Tonner was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 9th February, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Communication from Hunter & Jack re alleged defects of electric lighting undertaking. The Clerk stated that he had, as instructed at last meeting, communicated with Messrs. Hunter & Jack, electrical engineers, in regard to the alleged defects of the electric lighting undertaking as originally laid down, and he submitted and read a reply which he had that day received from them, and which was in the following terms, viz. :—

"101 St. Vincent Street,
"Glasgow, 23rd March, 1910.

"Thos. Munro, Esq.,
"County Offices, Hamilton.

"Dear Sir,

"CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

"Referring to your favour of 8th instant, we would point out that the electric lighting scheme was designed so as to necessitate a moderate outlay at the first, but so as to be easily extended by adding additional feeders to the ring system should the demand in future warrant the expense of laying down more cables. If you will remember you called in Mr. Wm. Arnott, consulting engineer, Glasgow, to confirm our scheme, and he approved of the same. We submit it would have been foolish to put in at the beginning heavy cable at large expense when it was impossible to tell what demand might arise for current, or in what district. Surely it was much better to do as we did, putting in moderate-size cables easily extended, and when the lighting proved a success and profitable you would then know where to put cables, and have profits, both in hand and prospective, to pay for them.

"Your Resident Engineer came on the scene after our scheme was drawn out, and approved, and had his name published in the public prints as the Consulting Engineer, the name of our firm not being allowed to appear in any case whatever. It is evident he was pleased with the scheme, and took the credit of it, and we think it is most underhand and unfair now, after about five years, to criticise the original plan.

"We can't quite make out your meaning in writing to us at this distant date.

"Yours truly,

"HUNTER & JACK."

Proposed installation of oil set.—Letter from Resident Engineer.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Resident Engineer, a copy of which he had sent to each member of the committee, and which was in the following terms, viz. :—

Electricity and Destructor Works,
Bothwell Street,
Cambuslang, 9th February, 1910.

The County Clerk,
Hamilton.

Dear Sir,

In view of to-day's decision to continue to use the Clyde Valley as a stand-by only, we shall require more plant for next winter.

I would ask that my committee call in a consulting engineer to report upon this on the following lines :—

"Would it be advisable to install an oil set or extend the present steam plant? If the latter, the consulting engineer should be asked as to whether our existing steam and exhaust pipes are only large enough for the two engines presently in use. If they *are* only large enough for the existing plant, then it follows *that no provision has been made for the extension of our steam plant*, and, before we can put down another steam engine, it will be necessary to entirely renew every bit of steam and exhaust piping within the works, and to scrap the piping presently in use. The attention of the consulting engineer must also be drawn to the present dangerous method of connecting our feeders on to the switchboard, and whether he does not consider it imperative that double-pole switches and ammeters be added to the feeder circuits on the switchboard. His attention should also be drawn to the back of the switchboard put in by Messrs. Hunter & Jack, and also to the back of the switchboard put in by your Resident Engineer, and he should be asked to report on *both* switchboards as to the advisability of entirely scrapping one of them.

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(Signed) A. J. ABRAHAM.

The meeting, having discussed the matters referred to in the above communication instructed the Clerk to communicate again with the Clyde Valley Company with the object of ascertaining whether an arrangement might not be come to with that Company for one year on more favourable terms than those indicated in the minutes of last meeting, and to report.

Failure of supply.—Letter from Resident Engineer.

There was submitted to the meeting letters from the Resident Engineer, of dates 16th and 23rd February, regarding the failure of the supply on two occasions, but only for very short periods, the failure in one case arising from the burning out of the shunt resistance of No. 2 Dynamo.

New shunt resistances.

The Resident Engineer having recommended that better resistances should be procured, the committee authorised him to obtain these.

Works Record.

A copy of the Works Record for the period from 5th February to 19th March forms an appendix to this minute.

Agreement with Clyde Valley Company.

With reference to the present agreement with the Clyde Valley Company as to the price for electrical current taken from their supply in regard to which there had last year been some misunderstanding between the committee and the company, the meeting agreed that the minimum payment stipulated for in the agreement should be calculated as a quarterly payment, that is £2 10s. per quarter, and that the cost of current supplied during any one quarter, in excess of the £2 10s., should be paid by the committee, notwithstanding that, during the other quarters, the cost of current taken by the committee might not exceed the minimum payment of £2 10s.

Prospect Avenue feeder cable.—Agreements.

With regard to the extension of the Prospect Avenue feeder cable, the Clerk submitted agreements come to with Messrs. R. M. M'Letchie, D. Shanks, and J. M. Davidson, Cambuslang, for wayleaves, the payments being all in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the minutes of last meeting, except in the case of Mr. M'Letchie, who had requested that the payment made to him in respect of the wayleave along the private lane leading to his garden gate should be of the same amount as that to be paid to Mr. Davidson and Mr. Shanks.

The Clerk stated that as this was an increase only of 10s., he had agreed to pay it rather than delay the matter further, and the meeting approved.

Convention of Municipal Electrical Association.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from Mr. C. M'Arthur Butler, Secretary of the Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association, of date 11th current, inviting this committee to become a member of the Association, and to appoint a representative and delegates to attend the next annual convention of the association, to be held at Glasgow from 14th to 17th June next.

Appointment of delegates.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed that the committee should become a member of the association, and appointed the following members to attend the convention, viz. :—

David J. Black. William Love.

James Tonner.

along with the Clerk and Mr. A. J. Abraham, Resident Engineer.

APPENDIX.

WORKS RECORD.

Week ending, 1910.	Units generated, Refuse.	Units generated, Coal, &c.	Units used, Street Lighting.	Units used in Station.	Water Used. Gallons.	Coal used.			Refuse destroyed.			Units bought from Clyde Valley.	Total Units generated.	Total Units generated corresponding Week last year.
						Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.	Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.			
Feb., 12,	2,861	453	1,588	87	35,510	3	1	1	110	2	2	14	3,314	3,160
„ 19,	3,226	None.	1,552	82	34,980		—		117	2	1	—	3,226	3,080
„ 26,	2,991	70	1,469	84	36,570		—		113	19	0	—	3,061	3,060
March 5,	2,918	—	1,382	76	35,160		—		105	14	2	—	2,918	2,920
„ 12,	2,606	338	1,348	83	32,090	2	19	2	99	5	2	33	2,944	2,815
„ 19,	2,792	—	1,252	68	31,800		—		108	10	1	—	2,792	2,745

A. J. ABRAHAM.

21st March, 1910.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL DISTRICTS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 12th January, 1910, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed with reference to Special Districts under the Local Government (Scotland) Act. 1894. — 12th January, 1910.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld. | William Neilson.
Robert Lambie. | James Prentice.
A. D. Mack. | James Tonner.
William Templeton.

There was also present—

William Speirs, being the representative on the County Council of Bishopbriggs Electoral Division.

Attending—

John C. Kennedy, as representing Dr. Hill, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the Committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, and stated that the usual public intimation of the meeting had been given in the *Glasgow Herald* newspaper, of date 3rd January. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 24th November, which had been submitted to, and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward, of date 10th December, transmitting, in terms of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, copy resolutions adopted by the District Committee of the Lower Ward at a special meeting held on 6th December, 1909:— — *Resolution of District Committee of Lower Ward re—*

(1) Extension of Bishopbriggs Lighting District, and

(2) Extension of Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Scavenging District.

"(1) Altering and enlarging the boundaries of the Bishopbriggs Special Lighting District, and adopting within the said Special District, as altered and enlarged, Sections 99 to 105, inclusive, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, and determining that the debt affecting the said Bishopbriggs Special Lighting District, with the interest thereof, shall affect the whole Special District as enlarged as from and after 6th December, 1909;" and,

"(2) Altering and enlarging the boundaries of the Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Special Scavenging District, and adopting within the said Special District, as altered and enlarged, Sections 107 to 127 and 253 to 255, all inclusive, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, and Section 24 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903."

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12th January, 1910.

Map.

There was laid before the meeting a map showing the proposed extensions of the special districts referred to.

Resolution giving consent.

The Clerk having stated that no objections had been intimated to the resolutions of the District Committee of the Lower Ward, the meeting after consideration, and as empowered by the County Council, resolved to give, and hereby give, in terms of Sub-section 3 of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, as read along with Section 38 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act. 1897, as amended, the County Council's consent to the resolutions of the District Committee of the Lower Ward above referred to, all as set forth in the advertisement of the said resolution published in the *Glasgow Herald* newspaper, of date 10th December, and as the districts are delineated on the map submitted.

Instruction to Clerk.

The meeting instructed the Clerk to give such public intimations of these resolutions as may be required by the Statute.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 26th January, 1910, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 26th January, 1910.

Present—

Thomas G. Cowan.	William Neilson.
C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun.	James Prentice.
Alexander Fletcher.	Hugh Reid.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Templeton.
Joseph Halley.	James Tonner.
Robert Lambie.	David Wardley.

Attending—

Edmund Donald, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 24th November, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting the reports of the inspectors for the months of November and December, summaries of which (Appendices I. and II.) had been sent to each member of the committee. *Inspectors' reports.*

The Clerk submitted a note of the salaries and expenses of the inspectors, and of the wages of the inspector's assistants, which had been authorised and paid since the date of last meeting, viz. :— *Inspectors' salaries, &c.*

For Month ending 15th January, 1910.

Inspectors' Salaries—

Chief Inspector, ...	£17 10 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	12 10 0	
Do. Mitchell, ...	12 10 0	
Do. Paterson, ...	10 8 4	
		£52 18 4

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages—

Chief Inspector, ...	£6 8 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6 0 0	
Do. Mitchell, ...	5 4 0	
Do. Paterson, ...	5 4 0	
		£22 16 0
		£75 14 4

For the Month ending 15th December, 1909.

Inspectors' Expenses—

Chief Inspector, ...	£3 1 1	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	3 6 1	
Do. Mitchell, ...	6 18 0	
Do. Paterson, ...	7 10 11	
		£20 16 1

Inspectors' salaries, &c.

There was also submitted a note of the salaries and expenses of the inspectors and of the wages of the inspectors' assistants for the month ending 15th proximo, payment of which was authorised by the committee, subject to being passed by the Finance Committee, as follows, viz. :—

Inspectors Salaries—

Chief Inspector, ...	£17 10 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	12 10 0	
Inspector Mitchell, ...	12 10 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	10 8 4	
		£52 18 4

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages—

Chief Inspector, ...	£8 0 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	7 10 0	
Inspector Mitchell, ...	6 10 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	6 10 0	
		28 10 0
		£81 8 4

Expenses of Inspectors, &c.

The meeting also passed for payment the following sums in respect of inspectors' expenses, viz. :—

Inspectors' Expenses—

Chief Inspector, ...	£3 2 0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	5 10 11
Inspector Mitchell, ...	6 18 11
Inspector Paterson, ...	2 13 2
	£18 5 0

Results of examination and testing of weighing instruments, &c.

There were laid before the meeting communications from the Board of Trade, dated 3rd and 17th December and 19th January, transmitting copies of notices giving the results of the examination and testing of certain patterns of weighing instruments, &c.

Office at Partick.—Missive to retake.

The Chief Inspector having submitted the missive which he had received from the factors of the Weights and Measures Office at Partick, the meeting agreed to retake the office for another year at a rent of £18, and authorised the Clerk to sign the missive in the name and on behalf of the committee.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH NOVEMBER, 1909.

VERIFICATION WORK.

DISTRICT.	Number of Weights, &c., Submitted.	CORRECT.			STAMPED.			ADJUSTED.		REJECTED.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1 ...	1,035	101	16	4	665	46	186	665	10	7	—	10
„ 2, ...	301	4	—	—	276	—	10	260	—	8	—	3
„ 3, ...	950	36	43	10	778	33	36	760	12	10	1	3
„ 4, ...	343	46	—	—	270	—	19	270	—	3	—	5

OUTDOOR INSPECTIONS.

DISTRICT.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., Examined.	CORRECT.			REQUIRED ADJUSTING.			UNSTAMPED.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2, ...	459	*7,335	5,613	343	928	319	3	76	37	5	13
No. 4, ...	37	*103	56	2	39	—	—	6	—	—	—

*25 and 23 of these were Collieries.

FEES.

DISTRICT.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
No. 1, ...	£13 2 0	£5 2 10	£18 4 10
„ 2, ...	6 12 3	2 14 7	9 6 10
„ 3, ...	7 7 6½	6 2 11½	13 10 6
„ 4, ...	7 7 3	3 1 7	10 8 10
	£34 9 0½	£17 1 11½	£51 11 0

No. 1 District.—In the course of the verification work 53 visits were made.
„ 3 „ „ „ „ 61 „ „

BURGH POLICE (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1892.

Made-up parcels of groceries and bread were weighed in 123 shops.

26th January, 1910.
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APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1909.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	1,351	189	6	3	1,036	8	93	1,017	6	12	—	4
„ 2,	1,511	92	80	28	1,220	20	31	1,220	16	21	10	9
„ 3,	107	7	—	3	44	30	9	44	1	11	—	3
„ 4,	833	122	—	7	664	12	23	663	8	3	—	2

Outdoor Inspections.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	Correct.			Required Adjusting.			Unstamped.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 3,	455	7,749	4,742	2,070	803	58	7	39	8	9	11
„ 4,	164	3,039	1,687	997	320	13	7	15	—	—	—

Fees.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
No. 1,	10	14	4	7	8	9	18	3	1
„ 2,	6	18	1	9	2	7	16	0	8
„ 3,	2	7	1	0	8	5½	2	15	6½
„ 4,	8	1	5½	5	9	2½	13	10	8
	20	0	11½	22	9	0	50	9	11½

No. 1 District—In the course of the verification work 29 visits were made.
„ 2 „ „ „ „ 135 „ „

Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.

No. 3 District.—Made-up articles weighed in 83 places of business.

Reported.

Peter M'Connachie, Wishaw—Unjust scale. Fined £4, or 20 days.
George Printer, New Stevenston.—Unjust scale. Pending.

23rd February, 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 23rd February, 1910, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 23rd February, 1910.

Present—

THOMAS G. COWAN.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
ALEXANDER FLETCHER.
THOMAS FULTON.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM NEILSON.
JAMES PRENTICE.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
JAMES TONNER.

Attending—

EDMUND DONALD, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Mr. Robert Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 26th January, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting the reports of the Inspectors for the month of January, a summary of which (Appendix) had been sent to each member of the committee. *Inspectors' reports.*

The Clerk submitted a note of the salaries of the inspectors and of the wages of the inspectors' assistants for the month ending 15th proximo, payment of which was authorised by the committee, subject to being passed by the Finance Committee, as follows, viz. :— *Inspectors' salaries, &c.*

INSPECTORS' SALARIES.

Chief Inspector, ...	£17 10 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	12 10 0	
Inspector Mitchell, ...	12 10 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	10 8 4	
		£52 18 4

INSPECTORS' ASSISTANTS' WAGES.

Chief Inspector, ...	£6 8 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6 0 0	
Inspector Mitchell, ...	5 4 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	5 4 0	
		22 16 0
		£75 14 4

The meeting also passed for payment the following sums in respect of Inspectors' expenses, viz. :— *Inspectors' expenses, &c.*

INSPECTORS' EXPENSES.

Chief Inspector, ...	£1 3 4
Inspector Chrystal, ...	5 6 8
Inspector Mitchell, ...	9 11 7
Inspector Paterson, ...	3 14 7
	£19 16 2

ACCOUNTS.

Messrs. W. & T. Avery, Ltd., adjusting and verification of—

(1) Set of metric weights by Board of Trade, ...	£2	12	8
(2) Two sets standard weights, ...	26	6	0
(3) Three sets standard weights, ...	5	19	6
	£34	18	2

Office accommodation at Airdrie.

Under reference to the minutes of the committee, of date 27th October last, the Clerk stated that suitable offices at 6 Alexander Street, Airdrie, had now been secured, at an annual rent of £16.

Examination of persons nominated by Local Authorities.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication which he had received from the Board of Trade, stating that the Board would hold an examination of persons nominated by Local Authorities to the post of Inspectors of Weights and Measures, at Edinburgh on 13th and 14th April next.

Nomination of two assistants.

The Chief Inspector stated that two of the Inspector's assistants (James Cowan and William Donald), who had not been successful on a former occasion, intended to present themselves for examination.

The committee agreed to nominate, and hereby nominate, in terms of Section 8 of the Weights and Measures Act, 1904, Mr. James Cowan, 56 Thornwood Avenue, Partick, and Mr. William Donald, 99 Stirling Street, Airdrie, for the post of Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Payment of examination fees.— Motion.

With reference to the question of the payment of examination fees, Mr. Tonner moved that the fees be paid by the committee, which was seconded by Mr. Neilson.

Amendment.

Mr. Halley moved, by way of amendment, a direct negative, which was seconded by Mr. Fletcher.

Motion carried.

On the motion and amendment having been put to the meeting, and a vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted for the motion, which was accordingly declared carried.

Communication re alleged contraventions by retailers of coal.

The Clerk submitted and read a letter from Mr. John Fleming, coal merchant, Strathaven, of date 7th February, alleging that the provisions of the Statute requiring dealers selling coal from a cart to keep scales and weights attached thereto were not being observed in that district.

The Clerk stated that he had communicated with the Chief Constable on the subject with a view to reporting any cases of contravention.

Authority to purchase set of measures.

The Chief Inspector was authorised to procure a set of measures from a quarter of a gill to half a gallon required in connection with the verification of tinsmith's measures, the cost of the set being estimated at £2 15s.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH JANUARY, 1910.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	849	89	14	—	594	27	102	591	23	7	1	15
„ 2,	1,842	106	101	29	1,532	15	21	1,528	14	22	6	10
„ 3,	1,100	60	24	6	942	40	18	939	12	6	1	3
„ 4,	128	20	4	—	79	9	8	79	3	4	2	2

Outdoor Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	Correct.			Required Adjusting.			Unstamped.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	19	123	52	6	18	42	—	4	—	1	—
„ 3,	212	3,359	2,214	669	379	24	26	40	3	—	4

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
No. 1,	9 12 4½	4 10 6½	14 2 11
„ 2,	10 4 0½	12 13 9	22 17 9½
„ 3,	6 3 4½	7 18 3	14 1 7½
„ 4,	2 15 10	0 15 3	3 11 1
Total fees, - -			54 13 5

No. 1 District—In the course of the verification work, 33 visits were made
„ 2 „ „ „ 145 „
„ 3 „ „ „ 53 „

Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.

No. 4 District.—Made-up articles weighed in 34 places of business.

Reported for Prosecution.

William Duff. Stepps, unjust scale. Fined 15s.
John Goldie, Glasgow, unjust scale and weights. Fined 30s.
Walter Bisset, Harthill, light parcels. Pending.
Janet Smith, Bishopbriggs, unjust scale. Pending.
James Marshall, Bridgend, unjust scale. Pending.

Case pending at date of last report has been disposed of as follows:—
George Printer, New Stevenston, unjust scale. Fined 40s.

23rd March, 1910. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 23rd March, 1910, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

John P. Campbell.
Thomas G. Cowan.
Alexander Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
James Prentice.
Hugh Reid.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.

Attending—

Edmund Donald, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Chairman. Mr. Robert Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 23rd February, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Inspectors' reports. The Clerk laid before the meeting the reports of the Inspectors for the month of February, a summary of which (Appendix) had been sent to each member of the committee.

Inspectors' salaries, &c. The Clerk submitted a note of the salaries of the inspectors and of the wages of the inspectors' assistants for the month ending 15th proximo, payment of which was authorised by the committee, subject to being passed by the Finance Committee, as follows, viz. :—

Inspectors' Salaries.

Chief Inspector, ...	£17 10 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	12 10 0	
Inspector Mitchell, ...	12 10 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	10 8 4	
		£52 18 4

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages.

Chief Inspector, ...	£6 8 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6 0 0	
Inspector Mitchell, ...	5 4 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	5 4 0	
		22 16 0
		£75 14 4

Inspectors' expenses, &c. The meeting also passed for payment the following sums in respect of Inspectors' expenses, viz. :—

Inspectors' Expenses.

Chief Inspector, ...	£1 13 10
Inspector Chrystal, ...	4 14 5
Inspector Mitchell, ...	6 13 8
Inspector Paterson, ...	4 12 10
	£17 14 9

Accounts.

Messrs. Anderson Bros.—Set of inspector's working copper measures, ...	£2 15 0

Application by Mr. Donald Wardlaw for an increase of wages.

There was submitted to the meeting an application by Mr. Daniel Wardlaw, Mr. Mitchell's assistant, for an increase of his wages which presently amounted to 26s. per week. The Chief Inspector having stated that Wardlaw had completed two years' service, Mr. Tonner moved that an increase of 2s. per week be granted, which was seconded by Mr. Campbell, and agreed to.

Agreed to increase Mr. Paterson's assistant's wages on completion of two years' service.

It was further agreed that Mr. Wm. Donald, Mr. Paterson's assistant, should also receive an increase of 2s. per week on the completion of two years' service.

Examination and testing of certain patterns of weighing instruments, &c.

The Clerk submitted a communication from the Board of Trade (Standards Department), of date 9th March, transmitting two notices giving the results of the examination and testing of certain patterns of weighing instruments, &c., and stating that in both cases the Board had issued certificates that the patterns were not such as to facilitate the perpretation of fraud.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 28TH FEBRUARY, 1910

VERIFICATION WORK.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	CORRECT.			STAMPED.			ADJUSTED.		REJECTED.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	930	154	—	5	669	1	83	668	—	8	1	9
No 2,	1,603	127	65	23	1,296	21	31	1,294	17	20	4	16
No. 3,	1,156	58	34	14	985	31	17	950	—	10	3	4
No. 4,	800	87	71	10	538	42	20	538	30	18	10	4

OUTDOOR INSPECTION.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	CORRECT.			REQUIRED ADJUSTING.			UNSTAMPED.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	101	1,025	511	96	114	254	2	16	13	11	8
No. 3,	55	169	61	4	31	54	—	13	—	5	1
No 4,	51	319	160	88	26	16	10	19	—	—	—

FEES.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
No. 1,	8	5	6	5	5	9½	13	11	3½
,, 2,	6	8	8½	9	16	4	16	5	0½
,, 3,	7	4	9½	7	16	1½	15	0	11
,, 4,	4	7	2	4	15	6½	9	2	8½
		Total		fees, ...			53	19	11½

REPORTED FOR PROSECUTION.

Charles Moncurr, Clarkston.—Unjust spring balance. Pending.

Three cases pending at date of last report have been disposed of as follows :—

Walter Bisset, Harthill.—Light parcels. Fined 50s.
Janet Smith, Bishopbriggs.—Unjust scale. Fined 20s.
James Marshall, Bridgend.—Unjust scale. Fined 20s.

27th April. 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 27th April, 1910, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 27th April, 1910.

Present—

JOHN P. CAMPBELL.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
ALEXANDER FLETCHER.
JOSEPH HALLEY.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM NEILSON.
JAMES PRENTICE.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
JAMES TONNER.
DAVID WARDLEY.

Attending—

EDMUND DONALD, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Mr. Robert Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 23rd March, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting the reports of the Inspectors for the month of March, a summary of which (Appendix) had been sent to each member of the committee. *Inspectors' reports.*

The Clerk submitted a note of the salaries of the inspectors and of the wages of the inspectors' assistants for the month ending 15th proximo, payment of which was authorised by the committee, subject to being passed by the Finance Committee, as follows, viz. :— *Inspectors' salaries, &c.*

Inspectors' Salaries—

Chief Inspector, ...	£17	10	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	12	10	0
Inspector Mitchell, ...	12	10	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	10	8	4
	£52	18	4

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages—

Chief Inspector, ...	£6	8	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6	0	0
Inspector Mitchell, ...	5	9	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	5	4	0
	23	1	0
	£75	19	4

The meeting also passed for payment the following sums in respect of inspectors' expenses, viz. :— *Inspectors' expenses, &c.*

Inspectors' Expenses—

Chief Inspector, ...	£2	5	6
Inspector Chrystal, ...	1	16	10
Inspector Mitchell, ...	7	1	1
Inspector Paterson, ...	2	2	9
	£13	6	2

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Office Rents.

William Benzie, Partick, ...	£9	0	0
John K. Murray, Motherwell, ...	7	10	0
Robert Wardrop, Wishaw, ...	11	0	0
Mrs. Margaret Quigley, Airdrie, ...	7	0	0
	£34	10	0

Accounts.

Messrs. W. & T. Avery—Inspector's portable balance with case, ...	£5	2	9

Annual General Meeting of Incorporated Society of Inspectors of Weights and Measures.

The Clerk having submitted a letter from the Secretary of the Incorporated Society of Inspectors of Weights and Measures inviting representatives of this committee to attend the annual general meeting of the society, to be held in London on 5th, 6th, and 7th proximo, the meeting appointed Messrs. John P. Campbell and James Tonner, together with Mr. Robert Chrystal, Inspector of Weights and Measures, to attend the meeting as representing this committee.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st MARCH, 1910.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	330	31	2	2	150	7	133	150	6	—	1	4
„ 2,	103	8	—	2	87	—	5	87	—	—	—	1
„ 3,	337	12	16	8	255	18	14	255	—	6	5	3
„ 4,	718	85	24	22	490	49	21	490	33	14	9	4

Outdoor Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	Correct.			Incorrect.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 1,	275	4,743	2,756	1,416	471	42	24	34
„ 2,	858	12,583	9,602	893	1,683	245	19	141
„ 3,	229	1,554	972	100	213	197	38	34
„ 4,	386	5,342	3,371	1,256	596	40	35	44

Fees.

District	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
No. 1,	7 13 6	1 3 6	8 17 0
„ 2,	2 14 7	0 13 11	3 8 6
„ 3,	3 3 3½	1 19 7½	5 2 11
„ 4,	5 11 8	4 6 0½	9 17 8½
Received from Burgh of Lanark,...			10 0 0
			£37 6 1½

Reported for Prosecution.

William Howie, Bellshill—unjust weights.
David Clarke, East Kilbride—light parcels.
Charles Dobbie, Hamilton—light bread.
Tollcross Co-operative Society, Tollcross—light parcels.

Case pending at date of last report has been disposed of as follows:—
Charles Moncur, Clarkston—fined 15s., or 7 days.

27th April, 1910.

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON HAMILTON COURT-HOUSES AND COUNTY BUILDINGS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th February, 1910, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark on the Sheriff Court Houses and County Buildings at Hamilton. 4th February, 1910.

Present—

David J. Black.
John F. Cochran.
George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
W. M. Marshall.
William Templeton.

Attending—

Duncan MacIntyre, Keeper of the Buildings.

Mr. William Templeton, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 14th October, which had been submitted to, and approved of by, the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a report by the Sub-Committee appointed with reference to the Lavatory Accommodation in connection with the Court Houses, as contained in the minutes of the sub-committee, of date 24th December, 1909, a print of which forms an appendix hereto. *Lavatory accommodation.—Report by Sub-Committee.*

The meeting, having further discussed the matter, agreed that Mr. Cullen, architect, be requested to advise the committee, in the event of their deciding that further lavatory accommodation in connection with the Court Houses was desirable or necessary, but as to liability for which they made no admission, if and how this could best be provided.

The Clerk having referred to the alterations in the two rooms which were formerly set apart for the use of the Clerk of the Peace, which had previously been sanctioned, and having explained a change of circumstances that had occurred since they were decided upon, the meeting agreed that the alterations should meantime be delayed. *Proposed alterations to two rooms.*

The Clerk having further stated that, consequent upon the natural development in the Public Health Department, additional office and laboratory accommodation was required, and that it might be necessary that the two rooms presently occupied by Mr. Malcolm, Director of Education, and the office staff of the Secondary Education Committee, should be given up for this purpose, the meeting agreed that the circumstances necessitated a change in the present arrangements, and authorised the Clerk to arrange and furnish two rooms above his own office for the use of Mr. Malcolm and the staff. *Public Health Department.—Additional office and laboratory accommodation.*

The Clerk having stated that, in consequence of his being deprived of the rooms now to be set aside for Mr. Malcolm, it might also be necessary, during the winter months, in order to provide accommodation for the temporary staff required in connection with the copying of the Valuation Roll and the writing-up of the Assessment Roll, to utilise temporarily part of the County Hall, the meeting instructed him to obtain an estimate of making such alterations as were required, and also of the cost of lighting the place either by electricity or gas. *Part of County Hall to be utilised for temporary staff during winter months.*

APPENDIX.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON HAMILTON COURT-HOUSES AND COUNTY BUILDINGS.

24th December, 1909. At HAMILTON, and within the County Offices, there, upon Friday, 24th December, 1909, being a Meeting between the Sub-Committee of the County Council of Lanark on the Court Houses and County Buildings at Hamilton and representatives of the Town Council of Hamilton.

Present—

As representing the County Sub-Committee—

ROBERT LAMBIE. | W. M. MARSHALL.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

As representing the Town Council of Hamilton—

Provost POLLOCK, | R. G. SLORACH,
Ex-Provost KEITH, | Bailie ROBERTSON,

along with P. M. KIRKPATRICK, Town Clerk, and W. H. PURDIE, Burgh Engineer.

Attending—

DUNCAN M'INTYRE, Keeper of the Buildings.

Mr. TEMPLETON in the chair.

Statement on behalf of Town Council.

It was stated on behalf of the Town Council that complaints had been made to them by persons who were in the habit of attending the Court of the want of sufficient lavatory accommodation, and also by persons occupying premises in the vicinity of the Court Houses on account of the nuisances committed as a result of the inadequacy of such accommodation.

It was further stated that the Town Council had some time ago resolved to erect a public lavatory opposite to the public entrance to the Court, but that, as in their opinion the duty of making such provision for persons attending the Court devolved upon the County Council, it had been agreed to make a further effort to come to some understanding, and that it had been suggested that, in the event of the County Council being unable to see their way to provide such accommodation, they might make a contribution towards meeting the cost of an underground lavatory.

Inspection of buildings.

The representatives of both parties having thereafter made an inspection of the buildings, the chairman of the sub-committee informed the Town Council's representatives that the matter would receive the further consideration of the sub-committee.

Further consideration of matter by sub-committee.

The sub-committee thereafter by themselves considered the matter, and having heard a statement by Mr. Duncan M'Intyre, keeper of the buildings, to the effect that, in his view, the present accommodation was sufficient to meet the requirements of the persons who required to attend the Court, and that he knew of no available site within the County Council's property whereon a lavatory could be erected, agreed that the matter should be reported to the committee *simpliciter*.

Second Portion.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 12TH MAY, 1910.

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 9th February, 1910, being a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 9th February, 1910.

Present—

Duncan C. Barr.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Walter J. Grant.
George Green.
J. Hamilton Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
William M. Marshall.
Peter M. Martin.
Col. Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
John D. Scott.
William Speirs.
James Stewart.
William Templeton.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 8th December last, which were submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minute of last meeting.*

There were laid before the meeting the minutes of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee appointed to confer with representatives of the Burgh of Lanark in regard to the question of the establishment of Fire Brigades, of date 29th December, 1909 (Appendix I.), which had also been printed and sent to each member of the committee, and the same were approved of. — *Minute of Sub-Committee appointed to confer with Burgh of Lanark* re *Fire Brigades.*

There was also submitted the minutes of the Sub-Committee appointed to meet with burghs in connection with the proposed establishment of Fire Brigades, of date 29th December, 1909 (Appendix II.), which had also been printed and sent to each member of the committee, and the same were approved of. — *Minute of Sub-Committee* re *Fire Brigades.*

With regard to the proposed temporary arrangement with the City of Glasgow, the Clerk submitted a letter which he had received from the Town-Clerk, and which was in the following terms, viz. :— — *Glasgow Corporation Gas Consolidation Order. — Letter from Town-Clerk, Glasgow.*

"City Chambers,
"Glasgow, 30th December, 1909.

"Thos. Munro, Esq.,
"County Clerk of Lanarkshire,
"Hamilton."

"Dear Sir,

"FIRE BRIGADES.

"With reference to your meeting with my sub-committee on 28th current, I have to advise you that the sub-committee, on taking into consideration the points emerging at

the meeting, are prepared to recommend that, for six months from 1st March next, the Glasgow Fire Brigade will, on a call from the county authorities, attend any fire occurring in the county area, with the exception of underground fires in mineral workings, on condition that for each turn-out your Council pay to the Corporation a sum equivalent to the amount recoverable by the Corporation in terms of Section 167 of the Glasgow Police Act, 1866. On the question of the maximum to be recovered from your Council, my committee are prepared to adopt your suggestion that the maximum should not exceed £100 in the case of any single fire.

"In regard to the period over which this arrangement would extend, my committee are at present only prepared to recommend that it be adopted until 31st August next.

"Of course, the above proposals are subject to the approval of the Fire Brgiade Committee, and subsequently of the Corporation. Meantime, I shall be glad to have the views of your Council on the above.

"Yours truly,

(Signed) "J. LINDSAY,
"*Town-Clerk Depute.*"

The meeting agreed to an arrangement being come to, based upon terms indicated in the above communication, and remitted to the Clerk to adjust the same, and also to consider and decide the question as to the radius within which the arrangement would operate.

Wishaw Burgh Extension, &c., Order.—Petition lodged against.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a print of the Wishaw Burgh Extension, &c., Order, and the Petition by the County Council, for themselves, and for and on behalf of the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

Agreed that representation be made to have Order proceeded with by way of Private Bill.

The Clerk having stated that the question as to whether the Order should be taken in Scotland as a Provisional Order, or in London as a Private Bill, fell to be considered, the meeting unanimously agreed that a representation be made to the Chairman of the Lords and Commons that, having regard to the important interests involved, the Order should proceed by way of Private Bill.

Retaining of Counsel.

The Clerk stated that he had authorised the Parliamentary Agents to retain Mr. Fitzgerald, K.C., and Mr. Talbot, K.C., as Counsel, subject to the Order being proceeded with by way of Private Bill, and that he also proposed to retain Mr. M. P. Fraser, advocate, and the meeting approved.

Appointment of sub-committee.

The meeting appointed the following sub-committee to take such steps in connection with the Order as to them may seem proper in the interests of the County Council and District Committee, viz.:—

George Fraser.	William M. Marshall.
George Green.	Col. Dennistoun Mitchell.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	John D. Scott.
Robert Lambie.	William Speirs.
James Logan.	James Stewart.

Mr. Stewart to be chairman of the sub-committee, and two a quorum.

Co-option of Mr. James Scott.

It was agreed to co-opt Mr. James Scott, as representing part of the area proposed to be annexed to the Burgh of Wishaw.

Engaging of witnesses.

The Clerk having indicated the nature of the evidence which would be required in support of the Council's Petition, he was authorised to engage suitable witnesses, and, if necessary, to consult the above sub-committee.

Letter from Mr. Victor Wilson, C.E., offering his services.

The Clerk having submitted a letter from Mr. Victor Wilson, C.E., Motherwell, offering his services in connection with the Council's opposition to the Wishaw Extension Order, the same was remitted to the above sub-committee.

Glasgow Gas Consolidation Order.—Petition lodged against.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the Glasgow Gas Consolidation Order, and of the Petition against it at the instance of the County Council and the Districts of the Middle and Lower Wards.

Appointment of sub-committee.

The Clerk having stated that Glasgow Corporation had expressed a desire to meet with representatives of the County Council, with a view to an understanding being come to, remitted to the following sub-committee to take such action in connection with the Order as may seem best, viz. :—

Walter J. Grant.	Col. Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Green.	William Speirs.
A. D. Mack.	James Stewart.

Mr. Stewart to be chairman of the sub-committee, and two a quorum.

The meeting agreed to take no action in regard to the question as to whether this Order should proceed by way of a Provisional Order or by Private Bill.

Retaining of Counsel.

The Clerk stated that he thought it advisable to instruct his Parliamentary Agents to retain provisionally Lord Robert Cecil, K.C., as Counsel, in the event of the Order being taken by way of Private Bill and the Council proceeding with their opposition. The meeting approved.

Caledonian Railway Order.—Petition lodged against it.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the Caledonian Railway Order, and of the Petition against it at the instance of the County Council and the three District Committees.

Clerk reported result of meeting with Solicitor of Railway Company.

He also stated that, along with Mr. Whyte, Mr. Paterson, and Mr. Kennedy, representing Dr. Hill, the Clerks to the District Committees, and Mr. James Anderson, a member of the Lower Ward District Committee, he had had a meeting with the solicitor of the Railway Company in regard to several points objected to by the County Council, and that there appeared to be every prospect of a reasonable arrangement being come to so far as the Order affected the roads and property and rights of the County Council, and the meeting remitted to the County Clerk, in consultation with the District Clerks, to adjust the terms of settlement and the obligation to be granted by the Company.

As regards the proposal in the Order to abandon the Glenbuck Branch Railway, the Clerk indicated that the question of whether the County Council's opposition was to be proceeded with was one of principle that must be decided by the Council. The committee, after discussion, decided to delay consideration thereof.

Cambuslang Electricity Order.—Petition against by Caledonian Railway Company.

With reference to the Cambuslang Electricity Order, the Clerk stated that the only objections which had been lodged against it were those by the Caledonian Railway Company, who had raised the question of the obligations resting upon them with respect to the maintenance of bridges and accesses thereto.

The Clerk having advised the committee as to the present state of the law on the point referred to, the meeting remitted to the Clerk, along with the chairman of the committee, to take such further action as they might consider proper, and to attend, if necessary, the Board of Trade Inquiry, along with any member of the joint sub-committee entrusted with the management of the Cambuslang Electric Lighting Undertaking whom that joint sub-committee may appoint.

House-Letting Bill.—Remit to Clerk.

In prospect of the House-Letting Bill, on lines similar to those contained in the Bill of last session, being introduced in the ensuing session of Parliament, it was remitted to the Clerk to take steps to secure the extension of its provisions to Counties.

APPENDIX I.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* FIRE BRIGADES.

29th December, 1909. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 29th December, 1909, being a Joint Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed with reference to Fire Brigades and of Representatives of the Burgh of Lanark.

Present —

James H. Fenton. | Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William M. Marshall. | John D. Scott.
James Stewart.

Attending—

Captain Despard, Chief Constable of Lanarkshire.
Mr. Pordage, Fire Master, Edinburgh.

Chairman. Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

The Clerk having submitted information as to the valuation of the Burgh of Lanark, and of the County areas, the Committee discussed and considered the terms on which co-operation might be arranged with the Burgh of Lanark, but, before coming to any decision, resolved to confer with representatives of the Town Council.

Representatives of Town Council of Lanark. Thereafter the following representatives of the Burgh of Lanark were introduced to the meeting, viz. :—

Provost Macleay. | Bailie Lamb.
Bailie Morton. | Councillor Stewart.

Mr. Stewart intimated that he would have to leave to attend another meeting, and proposed that Mr. John D. Scott take the chair.

The chairman explained the steps which had been taken by the County Council to prepare a tentative scheme of fire brigades for the County, and stated that the County Council were prepared to consider any suggestions for co-operation with the Burghs within the County.

After discussion Provost Macleay, on behalf of the Town Council of Lanark, indicated that they would be prepared to consider a proposal for co-operation on the basis that a site in the Burgh of Lanark should be selected for one of the stations and that the burgh should contribute an equivalent of the sum which the rate leviable by the County Council within the Upper Ward District would produce if similarly levied in the burgh.

The chairman stated that the proposals of the burgh would receive the careful consideration of the Council, and that a further communication would be made to the Town Council.

APPENDIX II.

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* FIRE BRIGADES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 29th December, 1909, being a Joint-Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to Fire Brigades, and Representatives of the Burghs within the County. 29th December, 1909.

Present—

As representing the County Council—

George Green. | Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell
Robert Lambie. | John D. Scott.
William M. Marshall. | Thomas Munro, County Clerk.

As representing the Burgh of Airdrie—

Councillor Kennedy and John J. M'Murdo, Town-Clerk Depute.

As representing the Burgh of Biggar—

Provost Plenderleith.

As representing the Burgh of Coatbridge—

Provost Davidson. | Councillor Lavell.
Councillor Kirk. | Councillor Neilson.

As representing the Burgh of Hamilton—

Provost Pollock. | Treasurer Paterson.
Ex-Provost Keith. | P. M. Kirkpatrick, Town-Clerk.

As representing the Burgh of Lanark—

Provost Macleay.

As representing the Burgh of Motherwell—

Bailie Macdonald and Ex-Bailie Park.

As representing the Burgh of Partick—

Provost Logan. | Bailie Kelly.
Bailie Hoy. | James Donaldson, Town-Clerk.

As representing the Burgh of Rutherglen—

Provost Johnstone. | Councillor David C. Dawson.

George Gray, Town-Clerk.

As representing the Burgh of Wishaw—

Councillor M'Connell and the Firemaster.

Attending—

Captain Despard, Chief Constable of Lanarkshire.
Mr. Pordage, Firemaster, Edinburgh.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, Convener of the County, presiding. *Chairman*

Notice calling meeting, &c.

Mr. Munro submitted a copy of the notice, dated 13th December, 1909, calling the meeting, and also a copy of the Notes regarding the proposed establishment of Fire Brigades, which had been prepared and issued to the members of the Conference.

Explanation by County Clerk.

He further explained that the tentative scheme which had been prepared with the advice of Mr. Pordage had been so framed as to permit of modification to meet altered circumstances if any arrangement were made for joint action between the County Council and any Burgh or Burghs, but that as a basis of any arrangement the County Council would require that their position as Local Authority in the County area should be conserved.

After representatives of all the Burghs had been heard, and various suggestions had been made, it was indicated by the representatives of the Burghs of Airdrie, Coatbridge, and Rutherglen that a joint arrangement might be possible, and it was thereafter resolved that the representatives of each of the Burghs present should make a report to their Town Council, and that the respective Town Councils should, if after discussion they so desired, again communicate with the County Council.

9th March, 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 9th March, 1910, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

D. C. Barr.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
James Logan.
A. D. Mack.
W. M. Marshall.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
John D. Scott.
James Stewart.
William Templeton.
James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Mr. John F. Cochran, County Councillor for Avondale.

Chairman.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 9th February, 1910, having been submitted, were approved and signed by the chairman.

Fire brigades.—Proposed arrangements with Burgh of Airdrie, Coatbridge, and Rutherglen.

The Clerk also submitted minutes of a conference with the Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge regarding the establishment of fire brigades, of date 9th February, 1910 (Appendix), which were approved and signed by the chairman.

The Clerk reported that he had been in communication with the Town-Clerks of the Burghs of Airdrie, Coatbridge, and Rutherglen, and had also had a meeting with the Provost and Town-Clerk of Rutherglen, but that the burghs were not yet in a position to come to any decision.

9th March, 1910.

Glasgow Corporation.

The Clerk reported, with further reference to the meeting on 28th December, 1909, with Bailie M'Millan, the chairman of the Corporation Fire Committee, and the Town-Clerk, and the remit at last meeting of the committee to him, that as a result of the negotiations an arrangement had been made, the terms of which were incorporated in a letter, of date 25th February, 1910, from the Town-Clerk, viz.:—

"City Chambers,
"Glasgow, 25th February, 1910.

"Thos. Munro, Esq.,
"County Clerk, Hamilton.

"Dear Sir,

"ATTENDANCE OF FIRE BRIGADE.

"With reference to our previous correspondence, I have to advise you that my Corporation yesterday agreed that, for a period of six months after 1st proximo, during which time your proposed brigades will be established and equipped, the City Fire Brigade will attend the calls to fires in the jurisdiction of your County within a radius of 15 miles from the Glasgow Royal Exchange, and that the County Authorities will pay for each attendance of the brigade the equivalent of the full cost of extinguishing the fire recoverable from the owner under the Glasgow Police Act, 1866, such contribution by the County Authorities not to exceed the sum of £100 for attendance of any one fire, and on the condition that the foregoing arrangement does not extend to fires in underground mineral works. I shall be glad to hear from you at your early convenience confirming this.

"Yours truly,

"A. W. MYLES."

The meeting approved of the arrangement, and instructed the Clerk to accept the offer of the Corporation.

Strathaven and Darvel Railway.

The Clerk submitted a communication, of date 19th February, 1910, which he had received from Mr. H. B. Neave, solicitor, Glasgow, acting for the Duke of Hamilton's Trustees, and also letter, of date 7th March, 1910, which he had received from the Parish Council of Avondale, in regard to the want of facilities for passenger traffic on the Strathaven and Darvel Branch Railway line of the Caledonian Railway Company. He explained that, in view of these communications, he had suggested that Mr. Cochran should attend the meeting.

Remit to Clerk.

The meeting thereafter received an explanation from Mr. Cochran of the position of matters and of the strong feeling in the district, and, after discussion, remitted to the Clerk, with power, to lodge a representation to the Railway and Canal Commissioners and to employ Counsel, and take such action as he should consider necessary.

Appointment of sub-committee.

The Clerk having indicated that before taking any action it might be desirable to have a meeting with the Caledonian Railway Company, the meeting remitted to the following sub-committee to meet with the Company, if so agreed, with powers, namely:—

Duncan C. Barr.	John D. Scott.
George Fraser.	James Stewart.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.	J. C. Hope Vere.

The committee further decided to co-opt Mr. J. F. Cochran, and to appoint him an additional member of the sub-committee.

Valuation of Glasgow Corporation Tramways.

The Clerk reported that Mr. Robert Jackson, Assessor of Railways and Canals, had approached him with a view to obtaining the support of the County Council in defending his valuation of the Glasgow Tramway Undertaking in an Appeal which the Corporation proposed to take to the Lord Ordinary on the Bills. The Clerk explained that the Railway Assessor, acting under a dictum of Lord Shand in 1873, had hitherto assessed the Glasgow Tramways upon the basis that a tramway was a railway, entitled to a statutory deduction of one-half of their expenses for repairs, as defined under the Lands Valuation (Scotland) Act, 1867. The Assessor having now come to be of opinion that there was very considerable doubt as to whether this practice was sound, had refused on the present occasion to make the deduction previously allowed, and the Corporation intended to appeal. The Clerk further explained that while it was not clear that the Assessor was right in the view which he took, the point was one in which the County Council were largely interested, and the meeting, after discussion, agreed to defray the cost of the Assessor defending his valuation before the Lord Ordinary on the Bills by the employment of Agent and Counsel, such expense, however, not to exceed £150 sterling.

APPENDIX.

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CONFERENCE WITH BURGHS OF AIRDRIE AND COATBRIDGE *RE* FIRE BRIGADES.

9th February, 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 9th February, 1910, being a Conference between representatives of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark and of the Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge in regard to the proposed establishment of Fire Brigades.

Present—

As representing the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council—

ROBERT LAMBIE. | W. M. MARSHALL.
WILLIAM NEILSON. | JAMES STEWART.

along with Captain DESPARD, Chief Constable of the County, and Mr. A. PORDAGE, Firemaster, Edinburgh.

As representing the Burgh of Airdrie—

Provost KNOX. | Bailie KENNEDY.

along with Mr. W. R. MITCHELL for the Town Clerk.

As representing the Burgh of Coatbridge—

Provost DAVIDSON. | Councillor LAVELL.
Councillor KIRK.

along with Mr. JOHN H. ALSTON, Town-Clerk.

Chairman.

Mr. James Stewart was appointed Chairman of the Conference.

Statement on behalf of Burgh of Coatbridge.

Councillor Lavell stated, on behalf of the representatives of the Burgh of Coatbridge, that, after careful consideration, they were favourably disposed towards a joint-scheme for the establishment of a fire brigade, to serve the Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge, and the adjacent County areas, the latter to possess a valuation of, say £200,000, but that, in their view, the brigade should be independent of the police force, and should at least partly consist of whole-time men. They further expressed the opinion that it was most desirable that the fire station should be situated in, or close to, the most densely populated part of the district to be served. The cost of establishing and maintaining a fire brigade such as indicated was estimated at £800 to £1,200 per annum.

Burgh of Airdrie.

Provost Knox having stated that, whilst the matter had not been fully considered by his Town Council, he thought the proposal of a fire brigade such as indicated would have their favourable consideration.

After discussion, the Chairman stated that the County Authorities would carefully consider the proposals made, and communicate their decision to the burghs later on.

27th April, 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 27th April, 1910, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 27th April, 1910.

Present—

William Barr.	A. D. Mack.
James H. Fenton.	William M. Marshall.
George Fraser.	William Neilson.
Walter J. Grant.	John D. Scott.
George Green.	William Speirs.
Robert Lambie.	James Stewart.
James Logan.	Col. King Stewart.
Lawrence Maxton.	William Templeton.

James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Captain H. J. Despard, Chief Constable.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk reported that the Glasgow Gas Consolidation Bill had been considered for seven days by a Committee of the House of Commons, presided over by Mr. John J. Mooney, and that the Preamble had been passed, subject to the following conditions:— *Glasgow Gas Consolidation Bill.*

(1) That the Corporation should not be entitled to make any profit, but that any surplus should be applied in the reduction of the price to the consumers;

(2) that the sums the Corporation were entitled to set aside for depreciation were not to exceed those in a scale fixed by the Committee and incorporated in the Bill;

(3) that within the City Supply Area there should be no differential rate except for power purposes;

(4) that within the Supplementary Supply Area the Corporation should be entitled to make a differential charge not exceeding 50 per cent. of the charge for lighting purposes within the City Area;

(5) that the charge for public lighting within both the City and the Supplementary Areas should be the same;

(6) that the consent of the County Council should be obtained before mains for the supply of non-illuminating gas are laid within the County area; and

(7) that the Baillieston area should remain in the city area and not, as proposed by the Corporation, in the Supplementary Area.

The Clerk explained that the clauses put forward to secure the interests of the county in regard to breaking up of roads, &c., had not been considered by the committee, and that to keep matters open it would be necessary to lodge a petition against the Bill in the House of Lords. He also explained that the questions of differential rating and the definition of the Supplementary Area would require to be considered, with a view to securing the interests of the County.

The committee, after discussion, agreed to continue the matter in the hands of the sub-committee appointed on 9th February, 1910, with full power to lodge a petition against the Bill in the House of Lords, and take such other action as they should consider advisable.

The Clerk reported that the Wishaw Burgh Extension Bill had been considered for eight days by a Committee of the House of Commons, presided over by Mr. Mooney, who had found the Preamble of the Bill to be not proved, and that accordingly the County Council had been entirely successful in their opposition. *Wishaw Burgh Extension, &c., Bill.*

Caledonian Railway Order.

The Clerk reported that the sub-committee appointed with reference to the Caledonian Railway Order had attended, on 16th March, 1910, a further meeting with the Solicitor and Engineer of the Company in regard to the proposal to abandon the Glenbuck Branch Railway, at which the Solicitor had indicated that his Company were prepared to meet the objections to this part of the Order by the incorporation therein of clauses securing the rights of the adjacent proprietors and the public. The Clerk further reported that the obligations had been duly inserted in the Order, and met the County Council's objections, and that he had accordingly withdrawn the Petition against the Order. The meeting approved of the action taken.

Fire Brigades.

The committee, having resumed consideration of the question of the provision of a fire brigade service for the County, and the Clerk having explained that the Burgh of Rutherglen had, after careful consideration, decided that it was desirable that they should provide their own brigade, agreed that the claims urged for various areas within the County seemed to indicate that the proposed station at Bellshill must be retained, and that in view of this difficulties in regard to the situation of a joint-station that could serve the Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge and the surrounding County districts would arise, the scheme previously approved by them, should be proceeded with, and remitted the matter, with full powers, to the following sub-committee:—

James H. Fenton.	Col. Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Fraser.	William Neilson.
George Green.	John D. Scott.
Walter J. Grant.	William Speirs.
Robert Lambie.	James Stewart.
W. M. Marshall.	Thomas F. Wilson.

The sub-committee to make all arrangements necessary with the Standing Joint-Committee of the County with the Parish Councils and other owners of existing apparatus in the County, with the Burgh of Lanark, and any other authorities.

Strathaven and Darvel Railway.

The Clerk reported that, on 16th March, 1910, the sub-committee appointed with reference to the complaints regarding the passenger service on the Strathaven and Darvel Branch Railway had met the Manager of the Caledonian Railway Company, and discussed the matter with him, when he had indicated that his Company could not see its way to make any alteration on the present service, and that accordingly, as previously instructed, he had prepared a representation to the Railway and Canal Commissioners in regard to the want of facilities for passenger traffic on the Strathaven and Darvel line, but that, as he had found various questions of difficulty were involved, he had taken an opportunity of consulting Mr. Lynden Macassey, of the English Bar, a counsel of large experience in this class of case, who had the matter under consideration. The committee approved of the action taken by the Clerk, and remitted to him, in consultation with the sub-committee appointed in the matter, to proceed with the representation should he consider it desirable, with power to direct it either against the Caledonian Railway Company alone or against that Company and the Glasgow and South-Western Railway Company, as he should consider advisable, and also to approach the County Council of the County of Ayr, with a view to their also taking action in the matter.

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SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* GLASGOW GAS CONSOLIDATION BILL.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Friday, 4th March, 1910, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to the Glasgow Gas Consolidation Order. 4th March, 1910.

Present—

Walter J. Grant.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
A. D. Mack.	William Speirs.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.
Mr. M'Cutcheon, representing Dr. Hill, Clerk to the Lower Ward District Committee.

In the absence of Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the sub-committee, Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell was called to the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk also submitted a copy of the minutes of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, of date 9th February, 1910, containing the remit to the committee. *Remit.*

The committee, after discussion, decided that, while they could not see their way to withdraw any of the objections of the Council to the provisions of the Glasgow Gas Consolidation Order as set forth in their petition against, they would consider any representations that the Corporation might have to make.

The convener intimated that, owing to other important meetings which they had to attend, they would be unable to be present at the conference with the Corporation.

The committee thereafter met with the representatives of the Corporation of Glasgow within the City Chambers, Mr. John Macfarlane, Chairman of the Corporation Parliamentary Bills Committee, presiding. *Conference with Corporation of Glasgow.*

The Clerk having suggested that, as the proposal for a conference had come from the Corporation, they should indicate whether they were in a position to make any concessions with a view to meeting the objections of the County Council as set forth in their petition against. After discussion, and in response to a request by the Corporation, the Clerk explained at length the various objections of the County. The chairman and Mr. Stenhouse, Town-Clerk Depute, explained the intentions of the Corporation and the effect of their proposals in regard to granting differential rates on the basis of consumption, and the chairman stated that the Corporation were prepared to concede that the Sheriff of the County should be substituted for the Dean of Guild in Clause 19, and indicated that the other points would receive the consideration of the Corporation, who would communicate their decision to the Clerk.

23rd March, 1910. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 23rd March, 1910, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed to deal with the Glasgow Gas Consolidation Bill.

Present—

Walter J. Grant.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Green.	William Speirs.
A. D. Mack.	James Stewart.

Attending—

Mr. M'Cutcheon, for Dr. Hill, Clerk to Lower Ward District Committee.

Chairman. Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Correspondence with Town-Clerk. The Clerk submitted a copy of the correspondence which he had had with the Town-Clerk of Glasgow in the following terms:—

(1) Copy letter—Mr. Munro to Town-Clerk, Glasgow.

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 15th March, 1910.

"Dear Sir,

"GLASGOW GAS CONSOLIDATION.

"Referring to the conference between representatives of the Corporation and of this County Council on 4th instant, I shall now be glad to hear whether the Corporation have any proposals to make.

"I shall also be obliged if you could favour me with a copy of the plan which you showed to me at the conference.

"I am,
"Yours faithfully.
"THOS. MUNRO.
"*County Clerk.*

"The Town-Clerk,
"Glasgow."

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(2) Copy letter—Town-Clerk, Glasgow, to Mr. Munro.

"City Chambers,
"Glasgow, 16th March, 1910.

"Thos. Munro, Esq.,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton.

"Dear Sir,

"GAS CONSOLIDATION BILL.

"I am in receipt of your letter of yesterday's date.

"At the meeting with the representatives of your County Council on 4th instant, the sub-committee indicated that they could not consider the suggestions made in the petition for a Gas Board, and stated that they wished to retain their power with regard to the disposal of surplus revenue. They explained quite plainly, as they thought, what their proposals were with regard to the price clause, and that they were prepared to substitute the "Sheriff" for the "Dean of Guild." Having regard to the boundaries which the Corporation have adjusted with adjoining gas undertakers, they formed the impression that your representatives were satisfied that the limits of supply were not vague and indefinite, and that the other matters in the County Council's petition relative to the laying of pipes for non-illuminating gas, the right of the Local Authorities to appeal to the Board of Trade in connection with the testing apparatus, and the question of whether a supply was to be given at

a distance of 50 or 70 feet from the main, were not so important. My sub-committee certainly understood that your representatives were to consider the statements made at the conference, and to communicate their decision to me with a view to a second conference being held, so that the parties might ascertain how far it was possible for them to agree.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"A. W. MYLES."

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(3) Copy letter—Mr. Munro to Town-Clerk, Glasgow.

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 19th March, 1910.

"DEAR SIR,

"GLASGOW GAS CONSOLIDATION BILL.

"On my return to-day I am favoured with your letter of 17th instant, which I shall submit to a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of this County Council on Wednesday next.

"There has apparently been some misunderstanding as to the issue of the conference, as my recollection was that the only point on which the sub-committee of your Corporation expressed any opinion was the proposal to substitute the Sheriff for the Dean of Guild.

"On the other questions raised I understand that, while your committee were good enough to give the County representatives a number of explanations, they did not indicate that they had come to any definite decision, but I understood they would consider the views submitted by my committee. I am afraid that, without any indication that the Corporation are prepared to make any concessions on the questions of proposed preferential rating and application of surplus to the reduction of rates within the city, that the County Council must prepare to maintain their opposition, but I think that you may take it that my committee would be glad to meet the Corporation if there is any prospect at all of a settlement.

"Yours faithfully,

(Signed) "THOS. MUNRO,
"*County Clerk.*

"The TOWN-CLERK,
"Glasgow."

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(4) Copy letter—The Town-Clerk, Glasgow, to Mr. Munro.

"City Chambers,
"Glasgow, 21st March, 1910.

"Thomas Munro, Esq.,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton.

"DEAR SIR,

"GAS CONSOLIDATION BILL.

"I am in receipt of your letter of 19th instant, a copy of which I have forwarded to the Town-Clerk, who is at present in London.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"JOHN BOWERS,
"*Town-Clerk Depute.*"

The committee approved of the Clerk's communication, and, in view of the position taken up by the Corporation that they could not see their way to make any concession in regard to the matters which the committee considered of vital importance to the County, resolved that no good purpose could be served by a further meeting with the Corporation, unless the latter so desired.

The Clerk explained that, in addition to the services of Lord Robert Cecil, K.C., he had retained Mr. John Wilson, K.C. (whose services would also be available for the Busby Gas Company), and Mr. King as Counsel, and had agreed to co-operate with the Burghs of Govan and Partick in retaining a gas expert and, if found necessary, an accountant. The committee approved of the action taken, and agreed that such of their number as could conveniently so arrange should attend the hearing in London before the Committee of the House of Commons.

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SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* WISHAW BURGH EXTENSION, &c., BILL.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday. 23rd March 1910, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to Wishaw Burgh Extension, &c., Bill. 23rd March, 1910.

Present—

George Fraser.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Green.	James Scott.
Robert Lambie.	John D. Scott.
James Logan.	William Speirs.
W. M. Marshall.	James Stewart.

Attending—

Mr. W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk submitted a letter, dated 15th March, 1910, from the Town-Clerk of Wishaw, suggesting that a meeting should be held to consider whether any amicable arrangement could be made, and also copies of further correspondence which he had had with the Town-Clerk, and explained that he had suggested to the Town-Clerk that while he could not give any undertaking that the committee would be prepared to meet with representatives of the Town Council they would probably agree to do so, and that representatives of the burgh might be in attendance. Owing to the absence of the Provost in London, the Town-Clerk had intimated that his Town Council would be unable to send representatives to Glasgow on that date. *Letter from Town-Clerk, Wishaw.*

The committee instructed the Clerk to intimate to the Town-Clerk that, without prejudice and without in any way inferring any alteration in the views expressed in their petition against the proposals of the Bill, they would be pleased to meet with representatives of the Town Council as suggested. They further instructed the Clerk to state that they could not refrain from an expression of their regret that, if the Town Council were in a position to submit proposals which they thought might result in a modification of the County Council's attitude towards the Bill, these should not have been made at a date which would have permitted of full and deliberate consideration of the several serious issues involved as affecting the interests of both the County Council and their ratepayers, and which might conceivably have avoided the very great trouble and expense to which the County Council have already been put in connection with the proposals of the Bill. *Consent to meeting burgh representatives.*

The Clerk explained to the meeting the arrangements which he had already made for the County Council's opposition, and of these the committee approved. *Arrangements for opposition.*

The committee appointed the following members to represent the County Council at proceedings on the Bill in London, viz.:—The Convener, Chairman, Messrs. Fraser, Green, Lambie, James Scott, and John D. Scott, with full powers. *Appointment of sub-committee.*

29th March, 1910. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Tuesday, 29th March, 1910, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed with reference to the Wishaw Burgh Extension, &c., Bill.

Present—

George Fraser.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Green.	James Scott.
Robert Lambie.	John D. Scott.
W. M. Marshall.	James Stewart.

Attending—

Mr. W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.

Chairman. Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Meeting with representatives of the Burgh of Wishaw. The Clerk intimated that, as instructed, he had arranged a meeting with the representatives of the Burgh of Wishaw, who were in attendance, and were thereafter introduced to the meeting, namely:—Provost Thomson, Bailie Bell, and Mr. John L. Jack, Town-Clerk.

It was agreed that what passed at the meeting should be without prejudice to the rights of either party, subject only to the reservation on the part of the County Council that if the proceedings should at any time be referred to in Parliament the Council should be at liberty to refer to the date when negotiations were entered upon.

Proposals of burgh. The Provost, on the invitation of the chairman, indicated the extent to which, without prejudice, the Town Council would be prepared to modify their proposals with a view to meeting the opposition of the County Council, and, after discussion, the representatives of the burgh withdrew.

The committee having carefully considered the proposals submitted, and the representatives of the burgh having been again introduced to the meeting, the chairman indicated on the map the extent to which, if the consent of the ratepayers could be obtained, the committee would be prepared to advise the County Council to go in order to meet the modified proposals of the Town Council.

The Provost, however, stated that the proposals of the County Council were not satisfactory to the Town Council, and that the Bill would accordingly require to be proceeded with.

Further arrangements. The meeting thereafter considered the further arrangements necessary to be made, and authorised the Clerk to employ such further medical and other evidence as might be considered necessary. They also added to the number of representatives to proceed to London the name of Mr. W. M. Marshall.

31st March, 1910.

At WISHAW, on Thursday, the 31st day of March, 1910, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed with reference to the Wishaw Burgh Extension, &c., Bill.

Present—

George Green.	James Scott.
Robert Lambie.	John D. Scott.
W. M. Marshall.	James Stewart.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.
W. L. Douglass, District Engineer.
W. L. Balmer, Water Superintendent.

The committee, having inspected the burgh and the area proposed to be annexed thereto, and having considered the whole matter, were unanimously of the opinion that no reason existed which justified the burgh in asking for an extension of their boundaries, and that no part of the extension proposed present characteristics or was of such a character as made it expedient that it should be disjoined from the County and annexed to the burgh.

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SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* POLICE (WEEKLY REST DAY) BILL.

23rd March, 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 23rd March, 1910, being a Joint-Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark and the Standing Joint-Committee of the County of Lanark appointed with reference to the Police (Weekly Rest Day) Bill.

Present—

C. J. Edmonstoune Cranstoun.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Fraser.	William Neilson.
Walter J. Grant.	James Scott.
George Green.	John D. Scott.
Robert Lambie.	William Speirs.
James Logan.	Stuart Spence.
A. D. Mack.	Col. James Stevenson, C.B., A.D.C.
W. M. Marshall.	James Stewart.
Peter M. Martin.	Colonel King Stewart.
Lawrence Maxton.	William Templeton.

James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Captain H. J. Despard, Chief Constable.

Chairman.

Mr. James Stewart, chairman of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Report by Clerk.

The Clerk submitted a copy of the Bill as presented in the House of Commons, and also as amended in Committee. He explained that the Bill as introduced applied to the whole of the United Kingdom, but that in Committee the Bill had been restricted so as to apply to England and Wales only, but that it was probable that, if the English Bill passed, a similar measure would be introduced for Scotland.

After discussion, the meeting, on the motion of Mr. Fraser, seconded by Mr. John D. Scott, appointed the following sub-committee, with full power to take such action in connection with the matter as they might think proper, viz.:—

George Fraser.	John D. Scott.
George Green.	Colonel Stevenson.
Robert Lambie.	James Stewart.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.	Colonel King Stewart.
William Neilson.	William Templeton.

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SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* STRATHAVEN AND DARVEL RAILWAY.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 4th May, 1910, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to Traffic Facilities on the Strathaven and Darvel Branch Railway. 4th May, 1910.

Present—

Duncan C. Barr.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
George Fraser.	John D. Scott.

In the absence of Mr. James Stewart, the chairman of the committee, Mr. Fraser was called to the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk reported that, as previously instructed, he had prepared a representation to the Railway and Canal Commissioners in regard to the want of facilities for passenger traffic on the Strathaven and Darvel Branch Railway, but that, owing to the matter being one of considerable difficulty, he had thought it right to consult Mr. John Kennedy, W.S., London, and to submit the application in draft to a Junior Counsel of standing for adjustment. He further reported that Counsel was of opinion that the application should be directed against both the Caledonian Railway Company and the Glasgow and South-Western Railway Company. The Clerk also reported that, as the County of Ayr would seem to have an interest in the matter, he had been in communication with the County Clerk of that County, who had promised to bring the matter before his Council on an early date. He stated that he had reported on the whole matter to the Parliamentary Bills Committee, who had approved of the action taken. *Report by Clerk.*

The committee approved of the action taken by the Clerk, and remitted to him to proceed with the application as adjusted by Counsel, either with or without the co-operation of the County Council of Ayr, with full powers to take such steps as he should consider necessary in the matter, and to employ Counsel and Agents.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 16th February, 1910, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 16th February, 1910.

Present—

J. P. Baird.	Robert Lambie.
David J. Black.	A. D. Mack.
Colonel Buchanan.	James Prentice.
Thomas G. Cowan.	John D. Scott.
James H. Fenton.	William Speirs.
Thomas Fulton.	James Tonner.
Alexander Hamilton.	James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Chairman.

In the absence of Mr. Thomas F. Wilson, M.P., chairman of the committee, Mr. Speirs was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Congratulations to Mr. Thomas F. Wilson on election as Member of Parliament.

Before proceeding with the business for which the meeting had been called, the chairman took the opportunity of expressing, on behalf of the committee, their congratulations to Mr. Thomas F. Wilson on his election as Member of Parliament for the North-East Division of the County.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 24th November last, which had been submitted to and approved by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed

Reports of County Medical Officer.

There were submitted to the meeting reports by the County Medical Officer of proceedings under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Act and the sale of Food and Drugs Acts for the months of October, November, and December, 1909, prints of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

Vacancy in Public Health Department. —Appointment of Dr. John A. Watt (Aberdeen).

With reference to the vacancy in the Public Health Department caused by the resignation of Dr. Ernest Watt, the County Medical Officer stated that after consulting with the chairman of the committee and the County Clerk, he had, as authorised at last meeting, appointed Dr. John A. Watt, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.(Aber.) to the vacancy at a salary of £170 per annum, rising by annual increments of £30 until a maximum of £260 was reached, the first increase to take effect at Whitsunday next. The meeting confirmed the appointment of Dr. John A. Watt as a Medical Officer of Health for the County on the terms above stated and subject to the provisions of Section 54 (4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889.

Pollution of North Calder Water.—Letter from Messrs. Wm. Beardmore & Co., Ltd.

With reference to the pollution of the North Calder Water by effluent from the Mossend Iron Works, the Clerk submitted a letter from the Manager of Messrs. William Beardmore & Company, Limited, of date 29th December last, which was in the following terms, viz. :—

"Mossend Steel Works,
"Mossend, 29th December, 1909.

"THOMAS MUNRO, Esq,
"County Clerk,
"County Buildings,
"Hamilton.

"DEAR SIR,

"POLLUTION OF RIVER CALDER.

"I have your letter of 27th instant. I have put the matter before our chairman (Mr. Beardmore), and am now in a position to assure you that we will go on with additions and alterations of our plant here to prevent any deleterious matter being discharged by us from our gas plant here into the Shirrel Burn. These alterations will be on the lines approved of by Mr. Curphey (H.M. Inspector under Rivers Pollution Prevention Act).

"Yours faithfully,

"For WILLIAM BEARDMORE & Co., LIMITED.
(Signed) "GEORGE T. NEILSON."

The meeting, after consideration, and in view of the assurance contained in the above letter, agreed to delay taking any further action within the period to 31st December, 1910, to permit of the necessary remedial measures being carried out.

Food and Drugs Acts.—Prosecutions.

The Clerk submitted a statement of the results of prosecutions under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, which were as follows :—

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
435. Henry Nimmo, cowkeeper and wholesale dairyman, Foulsykes, Cambusnethan.	Sweet milk—deficient in milk solids 29 per cent.	Pled guilty, and fined £10, with alternative of one month's imprisonment.
476. Daniel Gilmour, Irish provision merchant, Main Street, Cambuslang.	Butter—not genuine.	Pled guilty, and fined £10.
493. Andrew Gallacher, dairyman, West-end Dairy, Bellshill.	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 43 per cent.	Convicted, and fined £25.
538. Mrs. Mary M'Gibbon, wine and spirit merchant, Woodend, Mount Vernon.	Whisky—deficient in proof spirit 2 per cent.	Pled guilty, and fined £1.
539. Campbell & Co., licensed grocers, 93 Main Street, Tolleross.	Whisky—deficient in proof spirit 3 per cent.	Pled guilty, and fined 25s.

Rivers Pollution Prevention.—Communications with Colliery owners.

The Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting he had been in communication with the following companies in connection with complaints of pollution of streams arising from their works, viz. :—

The Shotts Iron Company, Limited, *re* Hartwood Hill Colliery.
The Kepplehill Coal Company, Limited, *re* Stane and Kepplehill Collieries.
James Dunlop & Co., Limited, *re* Monkland Colliery.
The Baton Collieries Company, Limited, *re* Fortrigg Colliery.
The Summerlee and Mossend Iron and Steel Company, Limited, *re* Bardykes Colliery.

The Clerk stated that replies had been received in each of the cases above referred to, which were generally satisfactory.

County Laboratory experiments on living animals.—Communications from Home Office.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting letters which he had received from the Home Office, of dates 13th and 20th January and 1st February, 1910, intimating that licences to perform experiments on living animals, under the Act 39 and 40 Vic. Cap. 77. at the County Public Health Laboratory, had been granted to Dr. Wilson, Dr. John F. Macdonald, and Dr. Patterson, for the year to 28th February, 1911.

Royal Institute of Public Health.—Congress at Birkenhead.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication from the secretary of the Royal Institute of Public Health inviting this County Council to appoint delegates to attend the congress to be held at Birkenhead from 18th July to 23rd July next.

Appointment of Delegates.

The meeting, after consideration, appointed the following members of the committee to attend the Congress as delegates of this County Council, viz. :—

James H. Fenton, William Speirs,
John D. Scott, Thomas F. Wilson. M.P.,

along with the County Clerk and the County Medical Officer.

Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland.—Congress at Elgin.—Appointment of Delegates.

The Clerk having submitted a communication from the Secretary of the Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland inviting the County Council to appoint delegates to attend the Congress to be held at Elgin, beginning 31st August next, the meeting appointed the following, viz. :—

Thomas G. Cowan, A. D. Mack,
Alexander Hamilton, James Tonner,
James C. Hope Vere.

along with the County Clerk and the County Medical Officer.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 27th April, 1910, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

27th April, 1910.

Present—

John Adam.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
David J. Black.	William Neilson.
James H. Fenton.	James Prentice.
Alexander Hamilton.	John D. Scott.
Robert Lambie.	William Speirs.
A. D. Mack.	James Tonner.

James C. Hope Vere.

Chairman.

In the absence of Mr. Thomas F. Wilson, M.P., chairman of the committee, Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 16th February, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Reports by County Medical Officer.

There were submitted to the meeting reports by the County Medical Officer under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts and the Food and Drugs Acts for the months of January and February, copies of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

Rivers Pollution.—Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge.—Judgment by House of Lords.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a copy of the Judgment of the House of Lords in the appeals by the Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge dismissing the appeals with costs, and the meeting expressed satisfaction at the result of the prolonged litigation. A copy of the Judgment forms an appendix to this minute.

Rivers Pollution.—Mossend Iron Works.

The Clerk stated that, having been advised by the County Medical Officer that there was no apparent sign of any practical steps being taken by Messrs. William Beardmore & Company to prevent pollution of the River Calder by effluent from their works, he had again communicated with Mr. Neilson, the manager of the Mossend Iron Works, from whom he had received a reply, dated 11th March last, stating that the County Council could rest assured that what his Company had promised would be carried out.

Communication with colliery owners.

The Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting he had been in communication with the following colliery owners, viz. :—

William Barr & Sons, Ltd., *re* Bellfield Colliery.
William Dixon, Ltd., *re* Blantyre No. 1 Colliery.
United Collieries, Ltd., *re* Quarter Collieries.
The Camp Coal Company, Ltd., *re* Camp Colliery.
The Baton Collieries Company, Ltd., *re* Baton Colliery.
James Dunlop & Co. *re* Bogleshole and Easterhill Collieries.
Shotts Iron Company *re* Hartwoodhill Colliery.

The Clerk, however, stated that he had received satisfactory replies in each of the above cases, except in the cases of Messrs. William Barr & Sons, Ltd., and the Baton Collieries Company, Ltd., with whom he was instructed to communicate again should pollution continue.

Food and Drugs Act.—Results of prosecutions.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a statement showing the results of prosecutions under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts since the date of last meeting, which was as follows, viz. :—

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
James Gardiner, Boglea, Greengairs,	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 21 per cent., and in milk solids 4 per cent.,	Pled guilty and fined 30s.
William Macfarlane, Fannyside, Greengairs,	Swcet milk—deficient in milk fat 31 per cent., and in milk solids 4 per cent.,	Pled guilty and fined 30s.
John Lawson, 463 Main Street, Bellshill,	Whisky—deficient in proof spirit 11 per cent.,	Pled guilty and fined £10.
James G. Rust, wine and spirit merchant, 100 Main Street, Holytown,	Whisky—deficient in proof spirit 12 per cent.,	Pled guilty and fined £10.
John M'Callum, dairyman, Whitefield, Dairy, Kirkhill, Cambuslang,	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 13 per cent.,	Pled guilty and fined £2 2s.
James Boyd, wine and spirit merchant, Flemington, Strathaven,	Whisky—deficient in proof spirit 8 per cent.,	Pled guilty and fined £10.

County Medical Officer's staff.—Salaries.

The County Medical Officer having submitted to the meeting a list of his staff, with the amounts of their present salaries and their respective periods of service, the meeting agreed that the following increases of salaries be made, viz.:—

Dr. John F. Macdonald, £200 to £230.
Dr. John A. Watt, £170 to £200.
Thomas Stewart (laboratory work), £40 to £50.
John Walker (laboratory work), £20 to £30.
Walter Brown (chemist), £120 to £150.
John H. Lindsay (statistical clerk), £100 to £110.
Robert P. Gray (clerk), £50 to £60.
Althol Williamson (junior clerk), £15 to £25.
Harry Brown (office boy), £15 to £20.

The increases to take effect as from and after 15th proximo.

First International Congress of Entomology.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Entomological Society of London, of date 8th April, inviting this County Council to appoint delegates to attend the First International Congress on Entomology, to be held at Brussels in the beginning of August next.

The meeting, after consideration, did not think it necessary as a Public Health Committee to appoint representatives to attend the Congress.

Increased contribution to Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland.

The Clerk having submitted a letter from the Secretary of the Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland in regard to the contribution of this County Council to the Association, the meeting authorised the Clerk to increase the contribution of this County Council to the Association from £1 1s. to £5 5s.

APPENDIX.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

Friday, 8th April, 1910.

PROVOST, &c., OF BURGH OF AIRDRIE, *Appellants.*
and
COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK. *Respondents.*

Lords Present—

The Lord Chancellor.
Earl of Halsbury.
Lord James of Hereford.
Lord Atkinson.
Lord Collins.
Lord Shaw of Dunfermline.

At the conclusion of the arguments on behalf of the Appellants, Counsel appearing for the Respondents but not being called upon, their Lordships delivered judgment as follows:—

The LORD CHANCELLOR—My Lords, this argument has the merit of singularity and also of ingenuity, but I think it is one of the most hopeless arguments I have heard for a considerable time. The Rivers Pollution Act of 1876 prohibits the pouring of sewage into streams. It defines "streams" so as to include all water-courses except "water-courses at the passing of this Act" (namely, 1876) "mainly used as sewers emptying directly into the sea or tidal waters." The obvious policy and the obvious effect of the Act is to stop the pouring of foul water into a stream, but it excuses this being done in certain circumstances, as, for example, if it was being done

as long ago as 1876, and the best practicable means are now used to render it harmless. It is difficult to think of a simpler Act, or one more clearly expressed. The Act states that you must not foul a stream except under particular conditions. Now, my Lords, undoubtedly and admittedly the now Appellants do foul these burns or courses of running water which come also clearly within the definition of "streams" in the Act of 1876, and for the present hearing it must be taken that they did not bring themselves within any of the exceptions or entitle themselves to any of the excuses which are set forth in the Act. There is a point reserved upon that with which the Judgment of this House will have nothing to do. Of course, that point reserved is still reserved. But what the Appellants say is this:—Permit us to prove that these burns are sewers, and if we can prove that they are sewers, surely it cannot be an offence to pour sewage matter into the sewers. My Lords, that is merely asking leave to prove that they have, with or without the contribution of others, committed, in an aggravated degree, the very offence with which they are charged. The object of the Act is to prevent streams being turned into sewers, and this is what they propose to do and have done. My Lords, it is very likely indeed that these burns have been made so dirty, that they are, in fact, such as commonly would be called sewers. I really do not know whether that be so or not, but this I do know upon the Record here, that the Appellants have done what is forbidden by the Act of Parliament, and have not brought themselves within any of the exceptions or excuses which are laid down and provided in the Act. My Lords, reference has been made to several cases, notably to Gaunt's case. I think Gaunt's case, so far as I can see, has been misunderstood; but if Gaunt's case or any other case expresses any opinion inconsistent with the view which I have ventured to express, I for one should wholly decline to be bound by it. I therefore move your Lordships that this Appeal be dismissed with costs.

Earl of Halsbury—My Lords, I am entirely of the same opinion, but I wish to add that Gaunt's case appears to me to have been perfectly rightly decided, and the argument founded upon it was, I think, founded upon an entire misapprehension of what that case decided. Otherwise I entirely concur with what the Lord Chancellor has said. I think this case was hopelessly unarguable.

Lord James of Hereford—My Lords, I concur.

Lord Atkinson—My Lords, I concur.

Lord Collins—My Lords, I concur.

Lord Shaw of Dunfermline—My Lords, I agree.

Questions Put—

That the Order appealed from be reversed?

The Not Contents have it.

That the Appeal be dismissed with costs?

The Contents have it.

Provost, &c., of Burgh of Coatbridge, *Appellants.*
and
County Council of Lanark. *Respondents.*

The Lord Chancellor—The Order will be the same, I take it, in this case?

Sir Alfred Cripps—Yes, it will be the same. Your Lordships' decision governs the two cases.

Mr. Wilson—That is so.

Questions Put—

That the Order appealed from be reversed?

The Not Contents have it.

That this Appeal be dismissed with costs?

The Contents have it.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

CONFERENCE *RE* MEAT INSPECTION.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 30th March, 1910, being a Joint-Meeting of representatives of the County Council and of the several District Committees of the County Council on the subject of Meat Inspection. 30th March, 1910.

Present—

William Y. Abel.	Robert Hamilton.
W. W. Chapman.	Robert Lambie.
Walter C. B. Christie.	A. D. Mack.
James H. Fenton.	James Prentice.
Alexander Hamilton.	John D. Scott.

James Stewart.

Attending—

A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward.
W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

Mr. John D. Scott was appointed chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk submitted a communication from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow on the subject of meat inspection, which was in the following terms, viz.:— *Meat inspection.—Communication from Corporation of Glasgow.*

City Chambers,
Glasgow, 19th November, 1909.

Dear Sir,

Meat Inspection.

For a considerable time the Corporation of Glasgow have been endeavouring to secure throughout Scotland a uniform system of inspection and standard of adjudication of meat. At present each authority has its own standard, and meat which would be seized in one district is allowed to pass in another. Such a state of affairs is manifestly unsatisfactory. To remedy this the Corporation have urged the Local Government Board to introduce a uniform system and standard, and appoint to their staff a Veterinary Surgeon, with practical experience, to supervise the work of inspection, so as to ensure uniformity. The Corporation are anxious to secure the co-operation of other authorities, and I shall be obliged if you will bring the matter before your Council, so that, if agreed, they may support the proposal by petitioning the Board in favour thereof, or taking part in such concerted action as may be agreed upon among the various authorities.

Yours truly,

(For the Town Clerk) J. L. MACKENZIE.

Notes by Clerk.

The Clerk also submitted to the meeting notes which he had prepared as to the statutory enactments relating to meat inspection, a copy of which forms Appendix I. to this minute.

Letter from Dr. Wilson, and excerpt from former minute.

He also laid before the meeting (1) copy letter from Dr. Wilson, addressed to Dr. Hill, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward, of date 8th December, and (2) excerpt from an interim report by a sub-committee of the Public Health Committee of the County Council, copies of which form Appendices II. and III. to this minute.

The meeting, after discussion, unanimously approved of the opinions contained in the interim report of the sub-committee above referred to, viz. :—that, with a view to preventing the sale of unsound meat for the food of man the real remedy lies in the direction of—

(1) the establishment of public slaughter-houses and the early abolition of private slaughter-houses;

(2) the strict examination of dead meat at fixed centres by qualified officers—imported meat being subjected to the same close inspection, and that the seizure of tubercular carcases should be according to the principles recommended by the Royal Commission in their Report of 1898.

Proposed appointment of Veterinary Inspector to supervise.

With regard to the proposal contained in the letter of the Town-Clerk of Glasgow that a Veterinary Inspector should be appointed to supervise the work of inspection, the meeting expressed the opinion that this was a matter for the consideration of the Local Government Board after a uniform system of meat inspection had been made obligatory upon Local Authorities.

Remit to sub-committee.

The meeting appointed the following members to represent the County at any conference of Local Authorities to be held on the subject, or at any interview with the Secretary for Scotland or with the Local Government Board, viz. :—

Walter C. B. Christie. Robert Lambie.
John D. Scott.

APPENDIX I

COUNTY OF LANARK.

NOTES AS TO THE PRESENT STATUTORY ENACTMENTS RELATING TO MEAT INSPECTION.

The following notes are submitted with reference to the subject raised in the appended letter from the Corporation of Glasgow :—

POWERS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

The powers of Local Authorities in regard to unsound meat are mainly contained in the Public Health Act of 1897.

Under that Act all slaughter-houses require to be licensed by the Local Authority, the licenses being subject to annual renewal, and the Act also empowers Local Authorities to provide public slaughter-houses.

In this County these powers have been exercised to a very considerable extent. Five public slaughter-houses have been erected, and the system of inspection at these premises is thorough, while about 50 private slaughter-

houses which were previously in use have been closed. It is the practice of the Sanitary Inspectors to visit the private slaughter-houses that still exist for the purpose of inspecting carcases intended for human food.

The Local Authority have power to refuse to grant a license under any circumstances, but in the case of a person carrying on the business of a slaughterer of cattle or horses, or knacker, at the passing of the Act, there is an appeal to the Local Government Board.

The Act also confers the following powers on Local Authorities, viz.:—

A Medical Officer, Sanitary Inspector, or Veterinary Surgeon, approved by the Local Authority, and in certain cases the Police, may at all reasonable times enter any premises within the district of the Local Authority, or search any cart or vehicle or any barrow, basket, sack, bag, or parcel, in order to inspect and examine any animal, alive or dead, intended for the food of man which is exposed for sale, or deposited in any place, or is in course of transmission for the purpose of sale or of preparature for sale. The onus of proof that such animal was not intended for sale shall rest with the person charged. If such animal or carcase appears to be diseased or unsound or unfit for food of man it may be seized, and, on application to the Sheriff, destroyed.

The Act also provides for a Local Authority, or a combination of two or more Local Authorities, appointing places and times for the examination of animals, alive or dead, by a Veterinary Inspector, and for the destruction of such animals or carcases, or part thereof, as may be condemned.

Heavy penalties are imposed with respect to offences committed against these provisions, and a person convicted of a second offence may be sentenced to imprisonment not exceeding twenty-one days.

In the case of an occupier of a licensed slaughter-house committing an offence against the Regulations, his license may be revoked.

OFFENSIVE BUSINESSES.

In virtue of the powers conferred upon them by the Public Health Act, the District Committees of this County have made By-laws with reference to the business of (1) slaughter of cattle or horses, and (2) gut or tripe cleaner and tripe boiler.

These By-laws contain conditions as to the ventilation, drainage, and water supply, &c., and the By-laws with reference to the first-mentioned business also provide that every slaughterer of cattle shall at once inform the Sanitary Inspector of the district of any animal sent to be slaughtered, or the carcase of which shall have been sent to the slaughter-house, which he has reason to believe is suffering from or affected by disease of any kind.

PIG-STYES.

Regulations have also been made by the several District Committees with respect to pig-styes, which provide that no pig-stye shall be erected on any premises used or adapted for slaughtering cattle without the sanction of the Local Authority, nor shall a pig-stye be erected within the curtilage of a dwelling-house in any village or populous place without their sanction. Conditions are also imposed as to the structure of the building, the site, drainage, water supply, and the cleansing of the premises.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS.

The Diseases of Animals Acts and relative Orders of the Board of Agriculture contain provisions providing for the destruction of the carcases of animals that have died from several specified diseases, including anthrax, foot-and-mouth disease, pleuro-pneumonia, and swine fever.

As will be seen from the above, Local Authorities are already in possession of powers which, if fully exercised, would go far to prevent the sale of unsound meat, and the question is perhaps not so much one as to how

far the present law requires amendment, but rather as to how far it is expedient to exercise the present powers.

In this connection attention should be given to the recommendations of the Royal Commission which sat in 1898. In their report they recommend—

That in all towns and municipal boroughs in England and Wales, and in Ireland, powers be conferred on the authorities similar to those conferred on Scottish Corporations and Municipalities by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, viz. :—

(*a*) When the Local Arthority in any town or urban district in England and Wales and Ireland have provided a public slaughter-house, power be conferred on them to declare that no other place within the town or borough shall be used for slaughtering except that a period of *three* years be allowed to the owners of existing registered private slaughter-houses to apply their premises to other purposes. The term of *three* years to date, in those places where adequate public slaughter-houses already exist, from the public announcement by the Local Authority that the use of such public slaughter-houses is obligatory, or, in those places where public slaughter-houses have not been erected, from the public announcement by the Local Authority that tenders for their erection have been accepted.

(*b*) That Local Authorities be empowered to require all meat slaughtered elsewhere than in a public slaughter-house, and brought into the district for sale, to be taken to a place or places where such meat may be inspected; and that Local Authorities be empowered to make a charge to cover the reasonable expenses attendant on such inspection.

(*c*) That when a public slaughter-house has been established inspectors shall be engaged to inspect all animals immediately after slaughter, and stamp the joints of all carcases passed as sound.

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With regard to slaughter-houses in rural districts, the case is not so easy to deal with. But the difficulty is one that must be faced, otherwise there will be a dangerous tendency to send unwholesome animals to be slaughtered and sold in small villages, where they will escape inspection. We recommend, therefore, that in Great Britain the inspection of meat in rural districts be administered by the County Councils.

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We recommend further that it shall not be lawful to offer for sale the meat of any animal which has not been killed in a duly licensed slaughter-house.

BURGH POLICE (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1892.

This Act provides that when the Commissioners of a burgh have provided a public slaughter-house, no person shall thereafter slaughter any cattle or beasts, or scald or dress the carcases of any slaughtered cattle, or cause the same to be done within the boundaries of the burgh elsewhere than within the said slaughter-houses, under a penalty of £5 for each offence, and to prevent evasion of this provision it is enacted that all persons who shall, after such slaughter-houses are provided, bring within the boundaries of the burgh for sale or consumption therein a carcase, or part of a carcase, of any cattle or beast slaughtered within the distance of two miles beyond such boundaries elsewhere than in slaughter-houses provided or duly licensed, in pursuance of any Act of Parliament, shall, on bringing such carcase, or part of a carcase, within the burgh, be liable in payment of the usual charge made in respect of cattle or beasts slaughtered in such slaughter-houses.

The Act further provides that where before the passing of the Act or within one year thereafter any burgh shall have erected slaughter-houses, no other slaughter-house shall be erected within the distance of two miles from the existing boundaries of such burgh unless either it is erected with the consent of the Commissioners or is situated within the area of another burgh, or is provided by the County Local Authority subject, in the latter case, to notice to the Burgh Authority and to an appeal to the Local Government Board.

The report of the Royal Commission of 1898 also deals with the qualifications of meat inspectors and the principles which should be observed in connection with the inspection of tuberculous carcases, and their recommendations in regard to these matters are as follows, viz.:—

"B.—Qualifications of Meat Inspectors.

We recommend that in future no person be permitted to act as a meat inspector until he has passed a qualifying examination before such authority as may be prescribed by the Local Government Board (or Board of Agriculture), on the following subjects:—

(*a*) The law of meat inspection and such bye-laws, regulations, &c., as may be in force at the time he presents himself for examination.

(*b*) The names and situations of the organs of the body.

(*c*) Signs of health and disease in animals destined for food, both when alive and after slaughter.

(*d*) The appearance and character of fresh meat, organs, fat, and blood, and the conditions rendering them, or preparations from them, fit or unfit for human food.

C.—Tuberculosis in Animals intended for Food.

We recommend that the Local Government Board be empowered to issue instructions from time to time for the guidance of meat inspectors, prescribing the degree of tubercular disease which, in the opinion of the Board, should cause a carcase, or part thereof, to be seized.

Pending the issue of such instructions, we are of opinion that the following principles should be observed in the inspection of tuberculous carcases of cattle:—

(*a*) When there is miliary tuberculosis of both lungs. (*b*) When tuberculous lesions are present on the pleura and peritonium. (*c*) When tuberculous lesions are present in the muscular system or in the lymphatic glands embedded in or between the muscles. (*d*) When tuberculous lesions exist in any part of an emaciated carcase.	The entire carcase and all the organs may be seized.
(*a*) When the lesions are confined to the lungs and the thoracic lymphatic glands. (*b*) When the lesions are confined to the liver. (*c*) When the lesions are confined to the pharyngeal lymphatic glands. (*d*) When the lesions are confined to any combination of the fore going, but are collectively small in extent.	The carcase, if otherwise healthy, shall not be condemned, but every part of it containing tuberculous lesions shall be seized.

In view of the greater tendency to generalisation of tuberculosis in the pig, we consider that the presence of tubercular deposit in any degree should involve seizure of the whole carcase and of the organs.

In respect of foreign dead meat, seizure shall ensue in every case where the pleura have been 'stripped.'"

As will be seen from the appended letter from Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer, the above recommendations are already being acted on in practice.

Having regard to what has been stated, it will be apparent that the effective remedy for preventing the sale of unsound meat for the food of man lies in the direction of the establishment of public slaughter-houses and the abolition of private slaughter-houses; the strict examination of dead meat exposed for sale at fixed centres by qualified officers, imported meat being also subjected to the same close inspection.

To carry out this remedy in an efficient manner would necessarily involve great cost, but, as the Royal Commission points out, it is a matter that must, sooner or later, be faced by Local Authorities.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 26th March, 1910.

APPENDIX II.

COPY LETTER FROM DR. WILSON, COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER, TO DR. HILL, CLERK TO THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE OF THE LOWER WARD.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 8th December, 1909.

MEAT INSPECTION.

I duly received your letter of the 24th instant, transmitting communication received from the Corporation of Glasgow relating to Meat Inspection. It is no doubt most desirable that there should be a uniform standard in determining what meat is to be considered unwholesome and unfit for the food of man, but I am surprised to hear it stated that "at present each authority has its own standard, and meat which would be seized in one district is allowed to pass in another." The disease which is responsible for most of the unwholesome meat is tuberculosis; and recommendations were made by a Royal Commission as to the standard on which Meat Inspectors should act. The Local Government Board have issued these recommendations for the guidance of Local Authorities, and to the best of my knowledge these recommendations are being acted upon throughout Great Britain. Assuming, however, that they are not being acted upon, the remedy suggested by the Glasgow Corporation is that the Board should appoint to their staff a Veterinary Surgeon, with practical experience, to supervise the work of inspection, so as to ensure uniformity, and they ask the co-operation of other authorities upon urging this upon the Local Government Board. The question might well be asked—will such an appointment attain the objects in view?

I am,

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) JOHN T. WILSON.

WILLIAM H. HILL, Esq., LL.D.,
194 Ingram Street,
Glasgow.

APPENDIX III.

EXCERPT FROM INTERIM REPORT BY SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL, SUBMITTED TO, AND APPROVED OF BY, THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE AT THEIR MEETING ON 6TH MAY, 1908, AND BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL AT THEIR MEETING ON 14TH MAY, 1908.

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MEAT.

With regard to the remedy for preventing the sale of unsound meat for the food of man, the sub-committee agree with the views indicated in the notes prepared by the Clerk, namely, that the remedy lies in the direction of—

(1) The establishment of slaughter-houses and the abolition of private slaughter-houses; and

(2) The strict examination of dead meat at fixed centres by qualified officers—imported meat being subjected to the same close inspection—and that the inspection and seizure of tubercular carcases should be according to the principles recommended by the Royal Commission in their Report of 1898.

Such a remedy, however, to be thoroughly effective, would require to be uniformly applied by all Local Authorities.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AGAINST ASSESSMENTS, &c.

At LANARK, and within the County Hall, there, upon Monday, the 21st day of February, 1910, being a Meeting of the Committee for hearing and disposing of Appeals and applications for relief on the ground of poverty from payment of the Consolidated Rates levied within the Upper Ward District of the County for the year from 15th May, 1909, to 15th May, 1910. — 21st February, 1910.

Present— — **Upper Ward.**

Nathaniel D. J. O. Gold.	Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Col. Dennistoun Mitchell.	Alexander Pillans.

Col. Mitchell was appointed chairman of the committee, and took the chair. — *Chairman.*

The quorum of the committee was fixed at two. — *Quorum.*

The Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, and laid upon the table the remit from the County Council. — *Notice. Remit.*

The meeting proceeded to consider the appeals, and, having considered the statements of the appellants, disposed of the several cases as set forth in the list thereof, signed as relative hereto. — *Appeals.*

At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Rooms, there, upon Wednesday, the 23rd day of February, 1910, being a Meeting of the Committee for hearing and disposing of Appeals and applications for relief on the ground of poverty from payment of the Consolidated Rates levied within the Airdrie District of the County for the year from 15th May. 1909, to 15th May, 1910. — 23rd February, 1910.

Present— — **Middle Ward.** *(Airdrie District.)*

Lieut.-Col. A. L. H. Buchanan.	A. D. Mack.

Lieut.-Col. A. L. H. Buchanan was appointed chairman of the committee, and took the chair. — *Chairman.*

The quorum of the committee was fixed at two. — *Quorum.*

The Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, and laid upon the table the remit from the County Council. — *Notice. Remit.*

The meeting proceeded to consider the appeals, and, having considered the statements of the appellants, disposed of the several cases as set forth in the list thereof, signed as relative hereto. — *Appeals.*

23rd February, 1910. At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Rooms, there, upon Wednesday, the 23rd day of February, 1910, being a Meeting of the Committee for hearing and disposing of Appeals and applications for relief on the ground of poverty from payment of the Consolidated Rates levied within the Hamilton District of the County for the year from 15th May, 1909, to 15th May, 1910.

Middle Ward.
(Hamilton District.)

Present—

JOHN F. COCHRAN. | WILLIAM NEILSON.
ROBERT LAMBIE. | STUART SPENCE.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

Chairman. Mr. William Neilson was appointed chairman of the committee, and took the chair.

Quorum. The quorum of the committee was fixed at two.

Notice. Remit. The Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, and laid upon the table the remit from the County Council.

Appeals. The meeting proceeded to consider the appeals, and, having considered the statements of the appellants, disposed of the several cases as set forth in the list thereof, signed as relative hereto.

25th February, 1910. At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Rooms, there, upon Friday, the 25th day of February, 1910, being a Meeting of the Committee for hearing and disposing of Appeals and applications for relief on the ground of poverty from payment of the Consolidated Rates levied within the Lower Ward District of the County for the year from 15th May, 1909, to 15th May, 1910.

Lower Ward.

Present—

ROBERT G. CARSON. | JOSEPH HALLEY.
JOHN M'FEAT.

Chairman. Mr. John M'Feat was appointed chairman of the committee, and took the chair.

Quorum. The quorum of the committee was fixed at two.

Notice. Remit. The Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, and laid upon the table the remit from the County Council.

Appeals. The meeting proceeded to consider the appeals, and, having considered the statements of the appellants, decided the several cases as set forth in the list thereof, signed as relative hereto.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE UNDER PETROLEUM ACTS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 2nd March, 1910, being a Meeting of the Committee appointed with reference to the Petroleum Acts. — 2nd March, 1910.

Present—

James R. Auld. | Colonel Logan.
Colonel Buchanan. | William Neilson.

Mr. Neilson in the chair. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 7th April, 1909, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of the number of licences granted under the Petroleum Acts, viz.:— — *Number of licences granted.*

Total number of licences granted, ...			54
Licences granted for petroleum, ...	27		
Do. carbide of calcium.	27		
	—		54
Note of fees received during 1909, ...	£5	10	0
Do. 1910, ...	7	7	6
Total fees, ...	£12	17	6

The Clerk submitted to the meeting (1) an application by Mr. James L. Muir, cycle agent, Victoria Street, Newmains, to keep a quantity of petroleum, not exceeding six gallons; and (2) a report thereon by the Police Superintendent. — *Application for licence by James L. Muir.*

The Clerk having explained that, while the conditions under which a licence may be granted were entirely in the discretion of the Local Authority, it appeared from the report of the Police Superintendent that the premises were not at all suitable for the keeping of petroleum. After further consideration, the meeting instructed the Clerk to state that they could not, in the circumstances, see their way to grant a licence.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE *RE* CINEMATOGRAPH ACT.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 16th March, 1910, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed *re* the Cinematograph Act, 1909. 16th March, 1910.

Present—

George Green.	A. D. Mack.
Alexander Hamilton.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Colonel Logan.	James Tonner.
James T. Macdonald.	James C. Hope Vere.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell was unanimously appointed chairman of the committee. *Chairman.*

The quorum was fixed at three. *Quorum.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk submitted a copy of the minutes of the special meeting of the County Council, held on Wednesday, 9th March, 1910, containing the appointment of and remit to the committee. *Remit.*

The Clerk also submitted a copy of the Act and of the Regulations of the Secretary for Scotland, of date 30th December, 1909, and of the revised Regulations of 10th March, 1910, and also of the form of application and form of licence which he had prepared under the first Regulations. He further explained the steps which had been taken pending the appointment of a committee, and pointed out that, owing to alterations in the Regulations, the forms already prepared would have to be modified. *Act and Regulations.* *Interim proceedings.*

The Clerk reported that the Finance Committee had had under consideration the fees which should be charged for licences, and had fixed these as follows:— *Fees.*

(1) On the grant of a licence—

Annual, ...	£1 0 0
Monthly, ...	0 5 0

(2) On renewal or transfer of a licence—

Annual, ...	£0 10 0
Monthly (after first year), ...	0 2 6

(3) For each additional premises included in a licence, should such be considered reasonable—

Annual, ...	£0 2 6
Monthly, ...	0 1 0

The Clerk submitted the conditions for occasional performances which he had prepared, and the form of intimation to applicants, of which the meeting approved. *Conditions for occasional performances*

Applications for licences.

The committee thereafter considered applications for licences, together with reports thereon by the Engineer and by the Police, and instructed the Clerk to issue licences in the following cases, viz. :—

1. George Urie Scott, 408 Parliamentary Road, Glasgow, for premises in Gray Street, Shettleston, for one year.
2. Richard Murray, 17 Shamrock Street, West, Glasgow, for Victoria Theatre of Varieties and Picture-Drome, Crofthead Street, Bellshill Road, Uddingston, for one year.
3. Benjamin Caddick, for movable erection, presently stationed at Stonefield, Blantyre, for one year.
4. William Knott, entertainment proprietor, Victoria Terrace, Girvan, for Town Hall, East Kilbride, for one week.

The following applications for licences were considered and continued for further information, viz. :—

1. Bellshill Orange Hall Trustees, per William J. Barr, clerk, 11 Hamilton Road, Bellshill, for Orange Hall, 324 Main Street, Bellshill, for one year.
2. James George, entertainer, 29 Dryburgh Avenue, Rutherglen, for Co-operative Hall, Tabernacle Lane, Cambuslang, for one year.
3. M. L. Simpson, works manager, Hallside Steel Works, Newton, for Victoria Hall, Hallside.

6th April, 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 6th April, 1910, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark on the Cinematograph Act, 1909.

Present—

Colonel A. L. H. Buchanan.
Alexander Hamilton.
Colonel Logan.
James T. Macdonald.
John M'Feat.
James C. Hope Vere.

Chairman.

Colonel Buchanan presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Mr. Hanlon's application.

The Clerk laid before the meeting application, dated 6th April, 1910, by Mr. Henry Hanlon, Gilmour Place, Flemington, Cambuslang, for a licence for one month for the Orange Hall, Bellshill. He also submitted reports on the hall by Superintendent Pennie and Mr. Scott, the Engineer, dated respectively 17th and 28th January, 1910.

The committee, having considered the application and information submitted, authorised the Clerk to issue a licence to Mr. Hanlon in the usual form, but subject to the following special condition, viz. :—

That before any entertainment is given the doors of the hall shall be so altered as to open outwards in every case.

The committee being of opinion that compliance with the condition contained in Article 5 (2) of the Regulations of the Secretary for Scotland, that the enclosure shall be placed outside the auditorium, is, in the circumstances of this case, unnecessary for securing safety, agreed to dispense with it.

The Clerk was instructed to inform the Orange Hall Trustees that no further licences would be granted for this hall, unless an arrangement was made for placing the enclosure containing the cinematograph apparatus outside the auditorium.

Letter from Mrs. Annie Prince.

The Clerk submitted intimation from Mrs. Annie Prince, Town Hall, Motherwell, of her intention to give a cinematograph display in the Public Hall, Larkhall, on 9th April, 1910. Reports on the hall by the Police and Engineer were submitted, which showed that the hall is generally suitable for such an entertainment. The Clerk was instructed to send Mrs. Prince the usual note of conditions, &c., to be complied with.

Letter from Mr. R. T. Smails.

There was also submitted intimation from Mr. R. T. Smails, Secretary of the Vestry of St. Johns, 14 Albany Gardens, Springboig, Shettleston, of the intention to give a cinematograph display in the hall of the Episcopal Church, Baillieston, on 9th April, 1910, and the Clerk explained that in this case it was proposed to place the cinematograph apparatus outside the hall. A report by the Police was also read, and the Clerk was instructed to send Mr. Smails the usual note of conditions, &c., to be complied with.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 20th April, 1910, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark on the Cinematograph Act, 1909.

20th April. 1910.

Present—

Alex. Hamilton.	James T. Macdonald.
Colonel Logan.	William Speirs.
A. D. Mack.	James Tonner.

Mr. A. D. Mack presiding.

Chairman.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 6th April, were read and approved of.

Application by Messrs. Lewis, Cambuslang.

The Clerk laid before the meeting application, dated 16th March last, by Messrs. William and James Lewis, Glasgow, for a licence for one year for premises in Miller Street, Cambuslang, formerly used as a roller skating rink. Reports by the Engineer and Police were also submitted.

The committee, having considered the application and information submitted, authorised the Clerk to issue a licence to Messrs. Lewis in the usual form, but subject to the following special condition, namely:—that, within one week from this date, the outside door at the main entrance, which opens in two halves, shall be altered so that it shall open outwards.

Application by George Pinder.

An application was also submitted from Mr. George Pinder, dated 13th April, for a licence for one year in respect of a round canvas tent used for cinematograph entertainments in connection with his travelling circus. A report by the Police, dated 15th April, was also read.

The committee, having considered the application and other information submitted, instructed the Clerk to issue a licence to Mr. Pinder, and agreed that Article 5 (2) of the Regulations of the Secretary for Scotland, as set forth in the licence, shall not apply, the committee being of opinion that compliance with the condition that the enclosure shall be placed outside the auditorium is, in the circumstances of this case, unnecessary for securing safety.

Letter from Mr. Hanlon.

The Clerk submitted intimation received from Mr. Henry Hanlon, Gilmour Place, Flemington, Cambuslang, of his intention to give cinematograph entertainments in the Public Hall, Larkhall, on 23rd, 24th, and 25th April, 1910. Reports by the Police and Engineer were also submitted, which showed that the hall is generally suitable for such entertainments, and the Clerk was directed to send Mr. Hanlon the usual note of conditions, &c., to be complied with.

4th May, 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 4th May, 1910, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed under the Cinematograph Act, 1909.

Present—

George Green.	James T. Macdonald.
Alexander Hamilton.	A. D. Mack.
Colonel R. J. Logan.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell

Attending—

Alexander Scott, C.E.

Chairman.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Application by Michael Gallacher, Glasgow.

The Clerk submitted an application, dated 29th April, 1910, by Michael Gallacher, showman, Glasgow, for a licence for Fullerton Hall, Tollcross, together with reports thereon by the Engineer and Police.

The committee resolved to grant the application on condition that (1) an additional exit was provided, and (2) the door at the present exit from the hall to the passage was made to open outwards in two halves.

The committee were of opinion that it was, in the circumstances, unnecessary for securing safety that the enclosure should be placed outside the building, and authorised the Clerk to dispense with this condition in the licence, provided that the means of ventilation of the operator's box are direct to the outside.

Application by H Chapman, Stirling.

The Clerk also submitted an application by H. Chapman, showman, Stirling, for a license for a movable erection, but as the show was situated outwith the County, and the applicant's ordinary residence did not appear to be within the County, the committee were of opinion that they had no power to grant the application.

Letter from Mr. Lewis, Cambuslang.

The Clerk submitted a letter, dated 30th April 1910, from Mr. W. Lewis, Cambuslang, intimating that he proposed to hold Sunday entertainments in the Cambuslang Roller Skating Rink, together with a copy of his reply thereto. The committee were of opinion that it was undesirable that such entertainments should be held, and instructed the Clerk to take any steps competent to prevent the entertainments being given.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

INEBRIATES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 16th March, 1910, being a Meeting of the County Council of Lanark under the Inebriates Acts. 16th March, 1910.

Present—

William Barr.	Alexander Hamilton.
John P. Campbell.	Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
Walter C. B. Christie.	William Neilson.
George Green.	John D. Scott.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.
Miss Dykes, Superintendent.

Mr. William Barr, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 15th December, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting. *Minutes of last meeting.*

With reference to the case of Mary Ann M'Culloch, the Clerk reported that since the admission of this inmate to the State Reformatory at Perth, on 23rd November last, her behaviour had so improved that the Prison Commissioners had liberated her on licence, and that she was now occupying a situation as domestic servant with Miss Grant, of Crail, formerly a matron of Duke Street Prison, Glasgow. *Case of Mary Ann M'Culloch.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting communications which had passed between him and the Clerk to the East Kilbride Parish Council on the subject of the disposal of Mary Ann M'Culloch's child, and the matter was continued meantime. *Disposal of Mary Ann M'Culloch's child.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting information as to alleged day poaching on the property of the County Council at Hairmyres, but stated that on investigations being made the offence committed seemed to be a trivial one, and had been committed unconsciously by the persons complained against. *Alleged day poaching on Hairmyres Estate.*

It was therefore agreed that no action be taken in the matter.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the Fifth Draft Annual Report relating to the Reformatory, addressed to the Secretary for Scotland, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee. The meeting approved of the report and authorised the chairman to sign the same, and instructed the Clerk to transmit it to the Secretary for Scotland, and also to submit it to the County Council. *Fifth annual report.*

The question of letting the shootings having been raised, it was remitted to the chairman to make inquiry as to the terms and conditions upon which adjoining shootings were let, and if so advised to arrange a suitable let. *Let of shootings.*

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PROPOSED CONSUMPTIVE SANATORIUM.

30th March, 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 30th March, 1910, being a Meeting of the Special Committee of the County Council and of representatives of the several District Committees appointed with reference to the proposal to appropriate the whole or part of the County Property at Hairmyres as a site for a Consumptive Sanatorium.

Present—

(1) Members of Special Committee appointed by County Council—

John Adam.
James R. Auld.
William Barr.
David J. Black.
Colonel Buchanan.
John P. Campbell.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Thomas G Cowan.
James H. Fenton.
Alexander Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
A. D. Mack.
Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell.
William Neilson.
James Prentice.
John D. Scott.
James C. Hope Vere.

(2) As representing the Upper Ward District Committee—

The Members of the Special Committee above named who are also Members of the Upper Ward District Committee.

(3) As representing the Middle Ward District Committee—

John C. Burns.
George Fraser.
Thomas Rea.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.

Also the Members of the Special Committee above named who are also Members of the Middle Ward District Committee.

(4) As representing the Lower Ward District Committee—

Walter J. Grant, and

the Members of the Special Committee above named who are also Members of the Lower Ward District Committee.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.
A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward.
W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell in the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

Minute of meeting of Special Committee. The minutes of the meeting of the special committee of the County Council, of date 6th October last, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting.

Letter from County Medical Officer. The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the County Medical Officer, of date 25th current (Appendix), a copy of which had been sent to each member of the special committee of the County Council and to each of the representatives of the several District Committees.

Consideration of matter continued. The meeting, having discussed the matter, and further explanations having been given as to the arrangements made by the several District Committees for the treatment of persons suffering from phthisis, agreed that consideration of the whole matter be continued.

APPENDIX.

COPY LETTER FROM COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER TO COUNTY CLERK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 25th March, 1910.

Dear Sir,

HAIRMYRES REFORMATORY.

Referring to the minutes (of 6th October last) of meeting of the Special Committee appointed by the County Council in connection with the proposal to appropriate the whole or part of the County property at Hairmyres as a site for Consumptive Sanatorium, and to the instructions I have received to report further as to the practicability in the present circumstances of using the Reformatory buildings as an administrative block, without interfering with the use to which they may in future continue to be put as an Inebriate Reformatory, I visited Hairmyres for this purpose and consulted with the Chairman and the Superintendent.

The Reformatory buildings could be used as an administrative block somewhat on the following lines:—

Staff Accommodation.—The rooms upstairs could be used as bedrooms for nurses and maids, although these rooms are somewhat smaller than those usually provided for hospital nurses. They each contain a bed and a chest of drawers, but there is also room for a small wardrobe. A box-room would require to be provided on the ground floor, but the silent cell is the only place available. The nursing staff could have the large room at the west end on the ground floor, and it could be furnished to serve both as a sitting and a dining room. The laundry accommodation would serve for staff purposes, and probably the patients could have some of their laundry work done outside.

Patients' Accommodation.—The dining-room is sufficiently large to accommodate 20 patients. If more than this number had to be admitted, a wooden annexe alongside the dining-room, doubling the dining accommodation, could readily be provided. The window in the east gable-end would be converted into a door. The land on the east side is suitable for the erection of châlets, so that by taking in another strip, the full depth of the garden, a suitable site would be obtained for 30 or more patients. Suitable lavatories would require to be erected and proper provision made for the disposal of sewage.

The total expenditure thus involved in making accommodation for 20 patients would not exceed £250 if all built of wood, and would be quite sufficient for an experiment. The cost of maintenance for each patient may be taken as not exceeding 30s. per week.

I am,
Yours faithfully,
JOHN T. WILSON.

The County Clerk,
County Offices.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY ROAD BOARD

OF THE

COUNTY OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th May, 1910, being a Meeting of the County Road Board of the County Council of Lanark. 4th May, 1909

Present—

John Adam.	Alexander Hamilton.
J. Raeside Auld.	Robert Lambie.
James Anderson.	William Neilson.
William Barr.	John D. Scott.
David J. Black.	Provost Sharp.

In the absence of Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell, chairman of the committee, from whom an apology for absence was intimated, Mr. John D. Scott was appointed chairman of the meeting. *Chairman of the meeting.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms, viz.:— *Notice calling meeting.*

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Special Circular.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 28th April, 1910.

Sir,

I am to request your attendance at a meeting of the County Road Board to be held within the County Buildings, Glasgow, on Wednesday next, 4th proximo, at Twelve o'clock noon, on the undernoted business.

Your obedient Servant,

THOMAS MUNRO,
County Clerk.

NOTE OF BUSINESS.

Proposed additions to List of Highways:—

Upper Ward.

Parish of Carluke—

Shieldhills Road, Carluke, from its junction with the North and South Lanarkshire Highway to the gateway leading to the front entrance to Shieldhills Farm steading—a distance of 370 yards or thereby.

Middle Ward.

Parish of Bothwell—

(1) Watson Street, Uddingston, from Spindlehowe Highway eastwards for a distance of 104 yards or thereby; thence extending northwards 60 yards or thereby, and southwards 33 yards or thereby; and

(2) Ella Gardenside Street (Ella Gardens—side street), Bellshill, from Brig Brae Mill Highway westwards for a distance of 87 yards or thereby.

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Lower Ward.

Parish of Cadder—

That portion of Blenheim Avenue between Cumbernauld Road and Anniesdale Avenue, Stepps, extending to 207 yards or thereby.

Reports by District Road Surveyors on condition of Highways, with estimates of sums required for ensuing year.

Resolutions by District Committee of Middle Ward relating to—

(1) The widening and improving of the following highways, at a total estimated cost of £324, viz.:—

(*a*) Luggie Road and Crossgates Road, Bellshill—£170.

(*b*) North and South, and Morningside and Chapel Highways, at Newmains Cross—£40.

(*c*) Hope Street and Union Street, Bellshill—£44.

(*d*) Langside and Sweethope Highways, Bothwell—£70.

(2) The reconstruction of Geil Bridge, on the Parish of Avondale—£1,600.

(3) The widening of Lanark and Hamilton Highway at Mauldslie, in the Parish of Dalserf, £50.

Any other competent business.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Board, of date 24th November last, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, having been submitted, were signed.

Additions to list of highways

There having been submitted recommendations by the District Committees of the several wards of the County, and the meeting having considered the same, agreed that, on certificates being obtained in each case from the respective Road Surveyors that the roads were in a satisfactory condition to be taken over, the County Council should be recommended, at their meeting to be held on 12th May next, that the following roads should be declared to be highways within the meaning and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, and as such should be added to the List of Roads, Highways, and Bridges made up under Section 41 thereof, viz.:—

Upper Ward.

Parish of Carluke—

Shieldhills Road, Carluke, from its junction with the North and South Lanarkshire Highway to the gateway leading to the front entrance to Shieldhills Farm steading—a distance of 370 yards or thereby.

Middle Ward.

Parish of Bothwell—

(1) Watson Street, Uddingston, from Spindlehowe Highway eastwards for a distance of 104 yards or thereby; thence extending northwards 60 yards or thereby, and southwards 33 yards or thereby; and

(2) Ella Gardenside Street (Ella Gardens—side street), Bellshill, from Brig Brae Mill Highway westwards for a distance of 87 yards or thereby.

Lower Ward.

Parish of Cadder—

That portion of Blenheim Avenue between Cumbernauld Road and Anniesdale Avenue, Stepps, extending to 207 yards or thereby.

Road improvements.

On the recommendation of the District Committee of the Middle Ward the meeting approved of the following road improvements, viz.:—

(1) The widening and improving of the following highways, at an estimated cost of £324, viz.:—

(*a*) Luggie Road and Crossgates Road, Bellshill—£170.

(*b*) North and South, and Morningside and Chapel Highways, at Newmains Cross—£40.

(*c*) Hope Street and Union Street, Bellshill—£44.

(*d*) Langside and Sweethope Highways, Bothwell—£70.

(2) The reconstruction of Geil Bridge, in the Parish of Avondale—£1,600.
(3) The widening of Lanark and Hamilton Highway at Mauldslie, in the Parish of Dalserf, £50.
(4) The widening of Carmyle Avenue, at Carmyle, in the Parish of Old Monkland—£30.

Glasgow Tramways re *complaints as to cars fouling junction of Gartocher and Shettleston Roads. — Report from police.*

Under reference to the minutes of the 24th November last, the Clerk stated that, after receiving a report from the police confirming the complaints which had been made in regard to the Glasgow tramway cars fouling the junction of Gartocher and Shettleston Roads, he had communicated with the General Manager, from whom he had received a reply, stating that the matter would be gone into carefully and dealt with suitably.

Mr. Adam having stated that the practice complained of was still being followed on other points of the tramway routes, the meeting agreed that the attention of the police should be further directed to the matter, and, if necessary, the Manager of the Tramways again communicated with on the subject.

Encroachment on Lanark and Hamilton Highway.

Under reference to the minutes of the Board, of date 1st September last, the Clerk reported, with reference to the encroachment by Mr. James Leiper on the Lanark and Hamilton Highway, he had been unable to obtain from Mr. Leiper a proper acknowledgment of the rights of the County Authorities and a satisfactory obligation to recognise these, and that he had accordingly raised an action in Court to compel him to remove the building complained of. The Court had granted an Order, ordaining the building complained of to be removed within a fortnight of the intimation of the Order, which had been made some time ago, but that in the interval Mr. Leiper, through his agent, had intimated his willingness to give a satisfactory undertaking. This undertaking, however, had not yet been received, but the Clerk stated he believed Mr. Leiper intended giving it very shortly.

In the circumstances the meeting continued consideration of the matter.

Widening of Cumbernauld Road at Millerston.—Communication from Dr. Hill.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication from Dr. Hill, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward, of date 23rd December, 1909, relative to a proposed widening of Cumbernauld Road at Millerston, in connection with which Mr. Pinkerton, Hogganfield House, had agreed to make over to the County Authorities, free of cost, a piece of ground, extending to 101⅓ square yards, the cost of the improvement being estimated at £121—£35 of which would be paid by the adjoining proprietors, to whom it was proposed to make over a strip of ground belonging to the Road Authority, and extending to 22⅓ square yards.

The recommendation of the District Committee, as contained in the minutes of their Sub-Committee on Highways, of date 8th November, 1909, is in the following terms, viz. :—

> "The meeting, after consideration, and subject to the undernoted provisions and stipulations, approved of the proposed widening of Cumbernauld Road, as described in the above report and depicted on the plan, at an estimated cost to the District Committee of £86, including the erection, on a new site, of a corrugated-iron toolhouse, as to which the Surveyor was instructed to report, viz. :—that the whole of the proprietors of ground fronting the portion marked C to D on the plan concur in the improvement, and grant the portion of their ground shown on the plan required for widening the road; on this being granted, the Committee recommend that the strip of ground belonging to the Road Authority, containing 22⅓ square yards, which will be left between the property of these proprietors and the Cumbernauld Road, be made over to them, and for this purpose recommend that application be made for the consent of the Secretary for Scotland, as required by Section 25 of the Local Government Act, 1889, to the alienation of the strip of ground referred to."

Recommendation of District Committee approved of.

The meeting approved of the District Committee's recommendation, and instructed the Clerk, subject to the approval of the County Council, to make application to the Secretary for Scotland, as required by Section 25 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, for his consent to the alienation of the strip of ground referred to.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

CONFERENCE *RE* PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th May, 1910, being a Conference between the Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee and of representatives of the several District Committees of the County. 4th May, 1910.

Present—

As representing the Executive Committee of County Council—

Provost Davidson. | Col. Dennistoun Mitchell
George Green. | Hugh Reid.
Provost Macleay. | John D. Scott.
William Templeton.

As representing the Upper Ward District Committee—

C. J. Edmondstoune Cranstoun. | Colonel Logan.
James H. Fenton. | Rev. C. M'Kune.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart. | James C. Hope Vere.

As representing the Middle Ward District Committee—

John C. Burns. | William Love.
George Fraser. | William Neilson.
Robert Lambie. | James Prentice.
William Strang.

As representing the Lower Ward District Committee—

William Y. Abel. | William Speirs.
Thomas Fulton. | James Stewart.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

Mr. John D. Scott was appointed chairman of the conference. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the conference. *Notice calling meeting*

The minutes of the last conference, of date 20th April, which had been printed and sent to each of the representatives appointed by the several authorities interested, having been submitted, were approved of, and signed. *Minutes of last conference.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting the applications—84 in number—which had been received in connection with the appointment of County Veterinary Inspector, together with lists thereof (Appendix), prints of which had been circulated. *Appointment of Veterinary Inspector.—List of applicants.*

Motion to delay consideration of applications.

Mr. Fraser moved that consideration of the applications be delayed, and that the County Council, at their meeting to be held on 12th current, be asked for authority to this joint-committee to draw up a short leet to be recommended to the Council at their October meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Prentice.

Amendment that short leet be selected.

Mr. Templeton moved, by way of amendment, that the joint-committee proceed to select a short leet, which was seconded by Mr. Love.

Amendment carried.

On the motion and amendment having been put to the meeting, and a vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted in favour of Mr. Templeton's amendment, which was accordingly declared carried.

Lee to consist of seven.

The meeting unanimously agreed that the leet to be selected should consist of seven.

Short leet.

The meeting having thereafter proceeded to vote by ballot, the following seven candidates were selected, viz. :—

Hugh Begg (East Kilbride).
John Brown (Perth).
D. Hamilton (Hamilton).
John Jarvie (Carluke).
Alexander Levie (Derby).
David M'Geoch (Paisley).
Robert Spittal (Coatbridge).

The meeting agreed to meet on Friday, 6th current, for the purpose of interviewing the above seven candidates, and taking such further action as may be necessary. The Clerk was instructed to arrange accordingly.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

List of Applicants, with Information as to Qualifications, Past Experience, &c.

NOTE.—M.R.C.V.S. = Member of Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.
F.R.C.V.S. = Fellow of Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.
F.V.M.S. = Fellow of the Veterinary Medical Society.
D.V.S.M. = Diploma in Veterinary State Medicine.
D.V.H. = Diploma in Veterinary Hygiene.

No.	Name.	Age.	Qualifications.	Present Position.	Past Experience, &c.
1	Baird, John (Thornhill),	31	M.R.C.V.S. (1900),	General Practice,	General Practice—9 years. Assistant to Mr. Carter, V.S., Keighley, Veterinary Inspector for Burgh of Keighley, &c.; also Assistant Veterinary Inspector, Dumfriesshire.
2	Barton, F. Townend (London),	43	M.R.C.V.S. (1897),	General Practice,	General Practice—15 years. Formerly Veterinary Inspector for Methlick and District. Post graduate course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c.
3	Begg, Hugh (East Kilbride).	42	M.R.C.V.S. (1887),	General Practice,	General Practice—23 years. Assistant to Professor M'Call, Veterinary Inspector, Glasgow, and to Mr. M'Intosh, Veterinary Inspector for Dumfriesshire. Inspector of dairy herds (Middle Ward), year 1908.
4	Bell, Peter (Falkirk),	—	M.R.C.V.S.,	Veterinary Inspector to Eastern District, Stirlingshire, and Burghs of Falkirk and Grangemouth, &c., &c.,	General Practice—24 years.
5	Bell, Thomas (Carnoustie),	50	M.R.C.V.S. (1884),	Veterinary Inspector, Forfarshire and Burgh of Carnoustie, &c.,	General Practice—26 years.
6	Bogue J. Yule (Salop),	28	M.R.C.V.S. (1908),	Veterinary Inspector for Southern Division of County of Salop,	General Practice—2 years.

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No.	Name.	Age.	Qualifications.	Present Position.	Past Experience, &c.
7	Barrowman, James (Edinburgh).	37	M.R.C.V.S. (1890); F.R.C.V.S. (1902).	General Practice,	General Practice—20 years. Post graduate courses in Pathology, Bacteriology, and Meat Inspection. Veterinary Inspector for Cupar District for 8 years.
8	Bowlas, (Thomas Penrith),	37	M.R.C.V.S. (1895),	Veterinary Inspector for Counties of Cumberland,	General Practice—15 years.
9	Brittlebank, Jos. W. (Manchester),	34	M.R.C.V.S. (1897); D.V.S.M.,	Veterinary Surgeon to Manchester Sanitary Committee.	General Practice—2 years. Has taken post graduate course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c. Examiner in Pathology, Parasitology. and Meat Inspection. Assistant Lecturer in Veterinary Hygiene, &c.
10	Brown. John (Invergordon),	44	M.R.C.V.S. (1886),	Veterinary Inspector for Ross and Cromarty and Burgh of Invergordon,	General Practice—24 years. Assistant Veterinary Inspector for Cheshire, 3 years; Paisley, 2 years.
11	Brown, John (Perth),	39	M.R.C.V.S. (1896); D.V.S.M.,	General Practice,	General Practice, 14 years. Post graduate course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c. During 1908 inspected dairy herds in Lanarkshire.
12	Brown, Wm. (Banchory),	25	M.R.C.V.S. (1908): F.R.P.S. (Edin.); F.V.M.S.,	General Practice,	General Practice, 1½ years. Post graduate course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c. Assistant to Veterinary Inspector, Elginshire.
13	Ernest J. Burndred (Hanley, Stoke-on Trent).	29	M.R.C.V.S. (1908); D.V.H. (Liv.),	—	General Practice, 2 years. Post graduate course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c. (Liv.).
14	Campbell, William W. (Colmonell),	28	M.R.C.V.S. (1904),	General Practice,	General Practice, 4½ years.
15	Chadwick, Chas. Rowland (Falkirk),	30	M.R.C.V.S. (1905),	—	General Practice, 5 years. Acted as Veterinary Inspector for Counties of Forfar and Perth for 3 years.

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No.	Name.	Age.	Qualifications.	Present Position.	Past Experience, &c.
16	Chatterley, Denham Robert (Bristol),	30	M.R.C.V.S. (1908),	General Practice,	General Practice—6 months. House Surgeon to Royal Veterinary College, London.
17	Christie, Wm. Tully (Portobello),	33	M.R.C.V.S. (1906),	General Practice.	General Practice—3 years.
18	Connochie, Wm. Dickson (Selkirk).	46	M.R.C.V.S. (1885),	Veterinary Inspector of County and Burgh of Selkirk.	General Practice—25 years. Practical experience in Bacteriology.
19	Crone. Jos. Robert (South Shields).	41	M.R.C.V.S.(Edin.) (1891),	V.S. to Borough of South Shields and Hebburn Urban District Council,	General Practice—20 years. Vet Lieut. Territorial Forces.
20	De Vine, Brennan (Birmingham),	29	M.R.C.V.S. (1903); F.R.C.V.S.; D.V.S.M.,	Assistant Veterinary Inspector to Birmingham Corporation (4 years),	General Practice—7 years. Post Graduate Course in Pathology. Bacteriology, Meat Inspection.
21	Dick, Thomas (Cowdenbeath),	38	M.R.C.V.S. (Edin.), 1895,	Veterinary Inspector of Meat and Dairies, Borough of Cowdenbeath,	General practice—15 years. Experience in Inspection of Meat and Dairy Herds.
22	Donaldson, James (Largs),	35	M.R.C.V.S. (Glas.), 1897,	Veterinary Inspector for Burgh of Largs, and Largs Parish under County of Ayr,	General practice—9 years. Post Graduate Course in Pathology &c. (Lond.).
23	Elphick, Edwin C. (Newcastle-on-Tyne),	27	M.R.C.V.S. (1904); D.V.H. (Liverpool),	General practice,	General practice. Post Graduate Course in Pathology, &c.; Civil V.S. in Orange River Colony.
24	Forbes, James (Truro),	30	M.R.C.V.S. (1902); F.V.M.S. (Edin.), (1902),	Veterinary Inspector to Cornwall County Council,	General practice—8 years. Lecturer in Veterinary Hygiene to Dorset County Council.
25	Frew, Gordon (Glasgow),	48	M.R.C.V.S. (1883),	General practice,	General practice—27 years.

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No.	Name.	Age.	Qualifications.	Present Position.	Past Experience, &c.
26	Gordon, George (London).	30	M.R.C.V.S. (1906),	General practice,	General practice. Post-graduate Course in Pathology, &c. Formerly assistant to two Veterinary Inspectors.
27	Gray, David Millar,	45	M.R.C.V.S.(1885),	General practice,	General practice 25 years. Formerly Veterinary and Meat Inspector for Burgh of Airdrie.
28	Hamilton, Daniel (Hamilton),	41	M.R.C.V.S. (1892),	Veterinary Inspector for Middle and Lower Wards of Lanarkshire. Veterinary Surgeon and Meat Inspector for Burgh of Hamilton.	General practice 18 years. Post-graduate Courses in Pathology and Bacteriology, &c. (Glasgow, London, and Aldershot). Certified Inspector of Meat, &c. Inspector of Dairy Herds, Middle Ward, 1903-1906.
29	Hamilton, William (Harrogate),	39	M.R.C.V.S. (1893),	V.S. to Harrogate District Butchers' Association,	General practice—17 years.
30	Hart, Andrew (Hointon, Devon),	39	M.R.C.V.S. (1894)	Veterinary Inspector to Devon County Council and Borough of Honiton	General practice—15 years.
31	Hazeel, H. A. (Dunoon),	44	M.R.C.V.S. (1892) F.R.V.C.M.S. (Glas.)	Veterinary Inspector for Argyll County Council and Burgh of Dunoon	General practice—15 years Trained Analytical Chemist.
32	Henderson, James (Edinburgh),	50	M.R.C.V.S. (1891)	Assistant Veterinary Inspector of Markets for Edinburgh	General practice—19 years. Post Graduate Course in Pathology. Certificate in Sanitary Science.
33	Henderson, Robert (Appleby),	—	M.R.C.V.S.	—	—
34	Halden, George B. (Scarborough),	43	M.R.C.V.S. (1892)	Veterinary Inspector to North Riding of Yorkshire	General practice—18 years.
35	Howie, George (Alford, Aberdeenshire),	46	M.R.C.V.S. (1886)	Veterinary Inspector for Upper Donside; Meat Inspector, Alford District	General practice—23½ years.

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No.	Name.	Age.	Qualifications.	Present Position.	Past Experience, &c.
36	Howe, Norman (Macclesfield),	35	M.R.C.V.S. (1897),	Veterinary Inspector to Macclesfield Corporation,	General Practice—12½ years.
37	Hughes, W. Francis (Denbigh),	39	M.R.C.V.S. (1897); F.V.M.S. (Edin.).	General Practice,	General Practice—12 years.
38	Hunter, Thomas Stott (Newcastle-upon-Tyne),	27	M.R.C.V.S. (1903),	General Practice.	General Practice—7 years.
39	Kay, Alexander Thain (Alyth),	48	M.R.C.V.S. (1885),	Veterinary Inspector for Burgh of Alyth and N.W. District of Forfarshire,	General Practice—25 years.
40	Latta, James (Ulverston).	37	M.R.C.V.S. (1901)	Veterinary Inspector for County of Westmoreland and also County of Lancaster,	General Practice—9 years. Lecturer in Veterinary Science to Lancashire Education Committee.
41	Levie, Alexander (Derby)	44	M.R.C.V.S. (1887); F.R.C.V.S. (1892); D.V.S.M. (Man., 1907),	Veterinary Inspector for County Councils of Nottingham and Leicester,	General Practice—20 years. Graduate course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c. (Man.), and Certificate in Meat Inspection.
42	Lewis, R. N. (Golspie).	29	M.R.C.V.S. (1902).	Veterinary Inspector to County of Sutherland and Burgh of Dornoch,	General Practice—6 years. Post graduate course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c. (Aldershot).
43	Manuel, Peter (Crewe).	50	M.R.C.V.S. (1881),	Veterinary Inspector under Cheshire County Council for Crewe District,	General Practice—29 years.
44	Mattinson, A. B. (Preston),	30	M.R.C.V.S. (1902); F.V.M.S. (Edinr.); D.V.M.S. (Man.),	General Practice,	General Practice—7 years. Lieut., Army Veterinary Corps. Post graduate courses in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c. (Man.) and (Aldershot).

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No.	Name.	Age.	Qualifications.	Present Position.	Past Experience, &c.
45	Melville, Robert G. (Stoke-on-Trent),	28	M.R.C.V.S. (1904),	General Practice,	General Practice—6 years.
46	Mitchell, Louis (London),	45	M.R.C.V.S. (1887),	Veterinary Inspector, Southern District of Berkshire and Burgh of Reading,	General Practice—23 years.
47	Murray, Robert (Rugeley, Staffs.),	31	M.R.C.V.S. (1903),	Veterinary Inspector for District of Rugeley,	General Practice—7 years.
48	M'Geoch, David (Paisley),	38	M.R.C.V.S. (1897) (Glas).	Veterinary Inspector for Port-Glasgow; Assistant Inspector for Paisley,	General Practice—13 years.
49	M'Intyre, James F. (London),	34	M.R.C.V.S. (1901),	General Practice,	General Practice, 9 years; Post Graduate course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c.
50	M'Intyre, Peter (Greenock),	27	M.R.C.V.S. (1906),	Veterinary Inspector for Greenock Burgh, &c.,	General Practice, 2 years; Post Graduate Course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c. Certificate as Meat Inspector.
51	Mackenzie, W. L. (Annan),	—	M.R.C.V.S.,	General practice,	General practice.
52	M'Queen, J. B., (Glasgow),	58	M.R.C.V.S. (1873),	General practice,	Interim Veterinary Inspector for the Middle and Lower Ward of Lanarkshire, 1901-02. Post Graduate Course in Pathology, &c.
53	Nicholson, Edward (Newcastle-on-Tyne),	31	M.R.C.V.S. (1900),	General practice,	General practice 12 years. Post Graduate Courses in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c. (London).
54	Norris, J. N. (Dublin).	34	M.R.C.V.S. (1897),	Inspector in the Veterinary Branch Department of Agriculture, Ireland.	General practice 1 year. Has taken Post Graduate Courses in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c. (London). Has been in charge of Bacteriological Laboratory (Irish B. of A.) since 1908.

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No.	Name.	Age.	Qualifications.	Present Position.	Past Experience, &c.
55	Peddie, James (Dundee),	42	M. R. C. V. S. (1889); F.R.C.V.S. (1896),	Veterinary Inspector for the Burghs of Broughty Ferry and Monifieth,	General Practice—20 years. Post graduate course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c. (St. Andrew's). Examiner for R.C.V.S. in certain subjects.
56	Pollard, John (Halifax),	34	M. R. C. V. S. (1897); D.V.S.M.,	Veterinary and Meat Inspector for Burgh of Halifax,	General Practice—4 years. Post graduate course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c.
57	Pottie, John Donaldson (Greenock),	42	M.R.C.V.S. (1888),	Veterinary Inspector of Gourock Burgh and Lower Ward Renfrewshire,	General Practice—20 years. Post graduate courses in Bacteriology, &c.
58	Powley, Joseph O. (Leeds),	29	M.R.C.V.S. (1904),	Assistant Inspector of Board of Agriculture and Fisheries since April, 1906,	General Practice—4 years. Post Graduate Course in Pathology, &c.
59	Prummer J. H. (Lochgelly),	25	M.R.C.V.S. (1906),	General Practice,	General Practice—4 years.
60	Scotston, Abraham (Hatton),	38	M.R.C.V.S. (1901),	General Practice,	General Practice—9 years. Veterinary Inspector under Aberdeen Local Authority.
61	Simpson, Henry George (London),	35	M.R.C.V.S., 1896 (Glas.) F.R.CV.S., 1901 (Lond.),	V.S. to London Parcels' Delivery Company,	General Practice—14 years. Late V.S. to H.M. the King, and H.R.H. Prince Christian. Post Graduate Course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c., (Lond.); Certificate as Meat Inspector.
62	Spittal, Robert (Coatbridge),	34	M.R.C.V.S. (1899),	Veterinary Surgeon for Burgh of Coatbridge (Public Health Acts),	General practice 11 years. Post Graduate Course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c.
63	Smith, Charles Edward (London),	38	M.R.C.V.S. (1892); B.Sc. (London),	General Practice,	General practice 18 years. Post Graduate Course in Pathology, &c. Formerly Government Veterinary Surgeon, British Guiana, &c.
64	Smith, Daniel Craig (New Cumnock),	46	M.R.C.V.S. (1888),	General Practice,	General practice 21 years.

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No.	Name.	Age.	Qualifications.	Present Position.	Past Experience, &c.
65	Smith, Thos. Wm. (Omagh).	31	M.R.C.V.S. (1907); F.V.M.S.,	General Practice,	General practice—2 years.
66	Stewart, Algernon Percy (Glasgow),	37	M.R.C.V.S. (1895),	General Practice,	General practice—15 years. Seven years Assistant Veterinary Inspector to Board of Agriculture. Post Graduate Course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c.
67	Thomson. Thomas (Market Drayton),	25	M.R.C.V.S. (1906); F.V.M.S. (Edin.),	General Practice,	General practice—4 years.
68	Thomas, W. Howard (Ipswich),	26	M.R.C.V.S. (1905),	Assistant Inspector of Board of Agriculture and Fisheries,	Post-graduate course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c.
69	Turtill. William (Wickham Market, Suffolk),	44	M.R.C.V.S. (1888),	Veterinary Inspector for Woodbridge Union, &c.,	General Practice—19 years.
70	Wall, Reginald Francis (London),	36	M.R.C.V.S. (1896),	General Practice,	General Practice—14 years. Served as V.S. in U.S.A., Canada, and South Africa.
71	Weir, George W. (Glasgow),	32	M.R.C.V.S. (1902),	General Practice,	General Practice—8 years. Post-graduate course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c.
72	Whitehead, Joseph Donaldson (Salford),	30	M.R.C.V.S. (1902); F.R.C.V.S.,	Veterinary Inspector to County Borough of Salford,	General Practice—8 years. Post-graduate course in Pathology, &c.; formerly Assistant Veterinary Inspector. Manchester.

Supplementary List.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

List of Applicants, with Information as to Qualifications, Past Experience, &c.

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D.V.S.M. = Diploma in Veterinary State Medicine.
D.V.H. = Diploma in Veterinary Hygiene.

No.	Name.	Age.	Qualifications.	Present Position.	Past Experience, &c.
73	Arthur, R. R. (Strathmiglo),	36	M.R.C.V.S. (1899),	Veterinary Inspector for County and City of Aberdeen; also County of Kincardine,	General Practice—12 years.
74	Barr, John (Norwich),	46	M.R.C.V.S. (1885),	General Practice,	General Practice—24 years.
75	Beckett, Alfred James (St. Albans),	41	M.R.C.V.S. (1893),	General Practice,	General Practice—17 years. Has taken Post Graduate Course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c. (Liv.). Veterinary Inspector B. of A., Ireland—3 years.
76	Gardner, Walter (Helensburgh),	34	M.R.C.V.S. (1904).	For two years Inspector of dairy herds for Middle Ward of Lanarkshire,	General Practice—4 years.
77	Howard, Edmund Carlisle (Nairn),	31	M.R.C.V.S. (1908). F.E.V.M.A.,	Veterinary Inspector for Burgh and County of Nairn. Sanitary Inspector for Nairn. Meat Inspector for Nairn,	General Practice—2 years. Meat Inspector at Dundee, Stonehaven, &c

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No.	Name.	Age.	Qualifications.	Present Position.	Past Experience, &c.
78	Jarvie, John (Carluke),	59	M.R.C.V.S. (1875).	Veterinary Inspector for Southern District of Upper Ward of Lanarkshire,	General Practice—35 years.
79	Miller, John (Blairgowrie),	40	M.R.C.V.S. (1894).	Veterinary Inspector under P. H. Acts for Eastern District of Perthshire,	General Practice—15 years.
80	Macleod, Duncan (Glasgow),	30	M.R.C.V.S. (1904).	Lecturer on Hygiene and Sanitary Science at Glasgow Veterinary College,	General Practice—7 years. Has taken Post Graduate Course in Pathology, Bacteriology, &c. (Glas.). Assistant to Principal M'Call, Glasgow—2½ years.
81	Nicholl, E. (Birmingham).	—	M.R.C.V.S., D.V.H. (Liv.).	Assistant Veterinary Inspector to Urban District Council of King's Norton and Northfield,	General Practice.
82	Reynard, James Grainger (Perth),	41	M.R.C.V.S. (1898),	Veterinary Inspector for County of Perth, also Veterinary Surgeon and Meat Inspector for City of Perth, &c.,	General Practice—13 years.
83	Stableforth, W. P. (Colyton),	34	M.R.C.V.S. (1897), F.R.C.V.S. (1901) (Lond.),	General Practice,	General Practice—17 years. Certificate as Inspector of Meat, &c.
84	Thexton, Percival (Kendal),	25	M.R.C.V.S. (1906),	General Practice,	General Practice—4 years.

6th May, 1910.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Friday, 6th May, 1910, being a Conference between the Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee and of Representatives of the several District Committees of the County. 6th May, 1910.

Present—

As representing the Executive Committee of County Council—

GEORGE GREEN. | JOHN D. SCOTT.
HUGH REID. | WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

As representing the Upper Ward District Committee—

JOHN ALLISON. | Sir SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart.
J. P. BAIRD.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

As representing the Middle Ward District Committee—

JOHN C. BURNS. | WILLIAM LAMBIE.
GEORGE FRASER. | WILLIAM NEILSON.
ROBERT LAMBIE. | JAMES PRENTICE.
WILLIAM STRANG.

As representing the Lower Ward District Committee—

WILLIAM SPEIRS. | THOMAS FULTON.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE. | JAMES STEWART.
WILLIAM Y. ABEL.

Attending—

W. E. WHYTE, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

Mr. John D. Scott in the chair. *Chairman.*

An apology for absence was intimated from Colonel Dennistoun Mitchell. *Apology for absence.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last conference, of date 4th May, were submitted and approved of. *Minutes of last conference.*

The Clerk having stated that the seven candidates selected at last meeting were in attendance, the meeting proceeded to interview the candidates. *Veterinary Inspector.—Candidates in attendance.*

After interviewing the seven candidates and discussing the further procedure, the meeting agreed that the names of the following four candidates be submitted to the meeting of the County Council to be held on 12th current, viz :— *Reduced short leet.*

Hugh Begg, East Kilbride.
John Brown, Perth.
D. Hamilton, Hamilton.
Alexander Levie, Derby.

The meeting agreed to recommend that the successful candidate should be asked to take up his duties on 1st August next. *Candidate to commence duties on 1st August.*

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Chambers, there, upon Wednesday, 20th October, 1909 years, at 2.15 p.m., being a Meeting of the Committee on Explosives of the County Council of Lanark appointed for the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward of said County. 20th October, 1909

Explosives Committee.

Present—

WILLIAM BARR, Esq. | GEORGE STALKER, Esq.
JAMES SCOTT, Esq. | JAMES TONNER, Esq,

Mr. Scott in the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of meeting of committee held on 30th April, 1909, were submitted, approved, and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following applications which had been lodged with him, viz. :— *Magazine licenses.*

(1) Application by Curtis's & Harvey, Limited, manufacturers of explosives, 3 Gracechurch Street, London, E.C., for the assent of the Local Authority to the establishment of a magazine for explosives at Dechmont Hill, in the Parish of Cambuslang ; and

(2) Application by Curtis's & Harvey, Limited, before designed, for the assent of the Local Authority to the Home Office license, No. 360, dated 23rd January, 1903, now in force with respect to a magazine at Dechmont Hill, in the Parish of Cambuslang, being amended according to the terms specified in the draft Amending License accompanying said application.

There were also laid before the meeting Assents by the Secretary of State to above applications being made, along with draft license and amending license respectively, and relative papers. The Clerk explained that the proposed new magazine was to have a capacity of 20,000 lbs., and the amending license was for a quantity not exceeding 40,000 lbs., the license sought to be amended being for 20,000 lbs.

The committee, having considered the foregoing applications, directed notice of the same to be published not less than one month before the diet of hearing after-mentioned in the "Glasgow Herald," "Hamilton Advertiser," "Lanarkshire," and "Cambuslang Advertiser" newspapers, the notice setting forth that the draft license and plan of the proposed new magazine and the draft amending license of the existing magazine have been deposited with the Clerk, at his office, 63 Almada Street, Hamilton, and can there be inspected by persons interested on any lawful day (except Saturdays) between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. until the day previous to the hearing of said applications ; and appointed Friday, the 26th day of November, 1909, at 2.15 o'clock afternoon, within the County Council Chambers, County Buildings, Glasgow, as the time and place at which they will be prepared to hear the applicants and any persons objecting to the establishment of said new magazine or to said amending license who have, not less than

seven clear days before the day of hearing sent to the Clerk of the Peace, Hamilton, and to the applicants, notice of their intention to appear and object, with their name, address, and calling, and a short statement of the grounds of their objection. Further, the committee remitted to Superintendent Anderson, Inspector of Explosives, Hamilton, to examine the site of the said proposed magazine and the said existing magazine, and to report, before the diet of hearing before mentioned, whether the requirements of the Statute have been fully complied with.

The Chairman signed a deliverance on each application to above effect.

Clerk's report.

The Clerk read his report, which was in the following terms:—

"Office of the Clerk of the Peace,
"Hamilton, 20th October, 1909

"SIRS,

"I have to report with reference to the police information submitted at last meeting charging Richard Anderson, miner, residing at No. 50 The Square, Palace Rows, Bothwell, with keeping explosives within his dwelling-house there, without having obtained a certificate under Order in Council No 12, that, as instructed at that meeting, the information was sent to the Procurator-Fiscal for prosecution, and that on 20th May Anderson pled guilty to the charge in the Sheriff Court, Hamilton, and was fined 4s. 6d. or three days' imprisonment.

"Following on instructions from the Chairman and Clerk, Mrs. Martha Laing or Yuill, wife of and residing with Thomas Yuill, 13 Bellshill Road, Uddingston, was prosecuted before the Sheriff on 8th October on a charge of selling explosives to children under thirteen years of age in premises at 13 Bellshill Road, Uddingston, registered in name of her husband, and was admonished.

"Since the date of last meeting the following applications for licenses for stores for mixed explosives (which were examined and approved of by the inspectors) have been granted, and licenses issued to the applicants on the instructions of the chairman, namely:—

J. M. Macaulay, secretary, Darngavil Coal Company, Ltd., coalmasters, 124 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, for Skellyton Colliery, Larkhall (Parish of Dalserf), Division D.

William Barr & Sons, Ltd., coalmasters, per C. K. Morrison, secretary, 10 Bothwell Street, Glasgow, for Allanton Colliery, Hamilton (Parish of Hamilton), Division D.

Miss Helen Wilson Ritchie, Union Street, Larkhall, as one of and for behoof of the trustees of Helen Dalglish Wilson or Ritchie, for High Merryton Farm (Parish of Dalserf), Division D.

"Since the date of last meeting there have also been issued 39 renewals of registrations, and the following 33 new registrations, namely:—

Yurgis Yenkauskas, manager, Tarnas Company, grocers, Carfin, for Cumming's Land, New Stevenston Road, Carfin (mixed explosives).

William J. Taylor, stationer, 51 Main Street, Uddingston.

Mrs. M'Leod, stationer, Main Street, Uddingston.

Merry & Cunninghame, Ltd., coalmasters, per William Howat, manager, for North Motherwell Colliery, Motherwell (mixed explosives).

Lithuanian Provision Company "Garsas," grocers, Reid's Buildings, Carfin, for Miller's Land, 33 Main Street, Holytown (mixed explosives).

Mrs. J. Paterson, stationer, Clydesdale Road, Mossend.

Michael Bevine, 14 Coursington Street, Motherwell.

William Howie, confectioner, 18 Orbiston Road, Bellshill.

Miss Mary Taylor, confectioner, 69 Hamilton Road, Bellshill.

Thomas M'Guire, confectioner, 13 Park Street, Motherwell.

Mrs. Mary Potts, confectioner, 250 Airbles Road, Motherwell.

Michael Kelly, confectioner, 130 Airbles Street, Motherwell.

Mrs. Michael Kelly, confectioner, 170 Craigneuk Street, Wishaw.

Mrs. Margaret M'Grory, confectioner, 38 John Street, Craigneuk, Wishaw.

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James M'Vicar, newsagent, 4 Stevenston Street, New Stevenston, Holytown.
Jessie Paton or M'Call, confectioner, Jerviston Street, New Stevenston.
Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson, confectioner, 2 Hamilton Street, Larkhall.
John Semmens, confectioner, 34 Marshall Street, Larkhall.
Miss Helen Wilson Ritchie, Union Street, Larkhall, as one of and for behoof of the trustees of Helen Dalglish Wilson or Ritchie, for 17 Union Street, Larkhall (mixed explosives).
John Clifford, stationer, 234 Glasgow Road, Blantyre.
Miss Susan Clark, confectioner, 22 English Street, Shieldmuir, Wishaw.
George Frame, confectioner, 38 Airbles Road, Motherwell.
Miss Helen Anderson, confectioner, 234 Brandon Street, Motherwell.
James Smith, confectioner, 47 Percy Street, Larkhall.
Robert M'Cart, confectioner, 89 Hamilton Road, Bellshill.
George Mathieson, confectioner, 178 Muir Street, Motherwell.
David S. Morrison, hairdresser and tobacconist, 24 Spindlehowe Road, Uddingston.
Mrs. Henrietta Moffat, 1 Victoria Buildings, Halfway, Cambuslang.
H. Macdonald & Son, 8 Crosshill Street, Motherwell.
Margaret Manuel, 14 Lorne Place, Bellshill Road, Uddingston.
John Baird, motor and cycle agent, 160 Windmillhill Street, Motherwell.
Mrs. Margaret Dunn, Ironmonger, Gladstone Place, Shieldmuir, Wishaw.
Mrs. Merry, 12 Shields Road, Flemington, Motherwell.

"Your obedient Servant,

"D. W. HIDDLESTON,
"*Clerk.*

"To the Explosives Committee for the
"Hamilton District of the Middle Ward
"of the County of Lanark."

Police informations.

The Clerk submitted two police informations charging Gilbert Lawson, stationer, Greenpark Place, Halfway, Cambuslang, with contraventions of the Act by selling explosives (fireworks) to children under 13 years of age on two recent occasions within his shop premises at Greenpark Place aforesaid. Each information bore that the fireworks had been sold by a shop girl in the employment of the offender, and, after consideration, the committee instructed the Clerk to write to the offender severely admonishing him for his laxity in the matter, and warning him that a prosecution would follow on any repetition of the offence.

Inspectors' reports.

Inspectors Anderson and Moir verbally reported that all stores and registered premises recently visited by them within their respective districts were being kept in satisfactory order.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Chambers, there, upon Friday, 28th January, 1910 years, at two o'clock afternoon, being a Meeting of the Committee on Explosives of the County Council of Lanark appointed for the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward of said County. 28th January, 1910.

Explosives Committee.

Present—

William Barr, Esq.	James Scott, Esq.
W. L. Dyer, Esq.	George Stalker, Esq.

On the motion of Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Stalker, Mr. Scott was reappointed chairman of the committee for the ensuing year. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the meetings of the committee held on 26th November and 3rd December, 1909, were submitted, approved, and signed. *Minutes of previous meetings.*

The Clerk read his report, which was in the following terms:— *Clerk's report.*

"Office of the Clerk of the Peace,
"Hamilton, 28th January, 1910.

"Sirs,

"With reference to the police information submitted at the meeting on 20th October last, charging Gilbert Lawson, stationer, Greenpark Place, Halfway, Cambuslang, with two contraventions of the Act within his shop there, I have to report that I wrote to accused in terms of instructions, but received no reply.

"On 16th December last there was submitted to the Chairman and Clerk a police information against David Smith, agent, Brier Glen, Polmont, Stirlingshire, charging him with keeping explosives in a store at Auchinraith, Blantyre, licensed for mixed explosives, without having obtained a police certificate under Order in Council No. 6A. I have to report that, on consideration of the whole circumstances, it was resolved merely to admonish the accused, and to warn him against a repetition, which was done.

"On 9th November last the following application for new license for store for mixed explosives (which had been examined and approved of by the inspector) was granted, and a license issued to the applicant on the instructions of the chairman, namely:—

David Smith, agent, Brier Glen, Polmont, Stirlingshire, for Auchinraith, Blantyre, Division D.

"Since 31st December there have been issued 92 renewals of store licenses, and the following applications for new licenses for stores for mixed explosives (which have been examined and approved of by the inspectors) have been granted, and licenses issued to the applicants on the instructions of the chairman, namely:—

Robert M. Kirkwood, ironmonger, 17 Union Street, Larkhall, for High Merryton Farm (Parish of Dalserf), Division D.

John Watson, Limited, coalmasters, per Lawrence Donald, storeman, 53 Bothwell Street, Glasgow, for Gilbertfield Colliery (Parish of Cambuslang), Division C.

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Robert M'Kay, colliery manager, Cornsilloch Colliery, Larkhall, for Cornsilloch Colliery, near Larkhall (Parish of Dalserf), Division D.

Robert Addie & Sons' Collieries, Limited, coalmasters, and Malcolm Aitchison, colliery manager, Viewpark Colliery, Uddingston, for Viewpark Estate, Uddingston (Parish of Bothwell), Division B.

Hamilton M'Culloch & Co., Limited, coalmasters, per John Clarkson, secretary, 75 Bothwell Street, Glasgow, for Bog Colliery (Parish of Dalserf), Division B.

"Between the date of the meeting on 20th October last and 31st December the following three new registrations were issued, namely:—

Mrs. Windsor, 17 Wemysshill Row, Overtown, by Wishaw.
James M'Vicar, newsagent, Newarthill.
Mrs. Jane Kane, confectioner, 13 Wilson Terrace, Cadzow, Hamilton.

"Since 31st December there have been issued 133 renewals of registrations and the following 11 new registrations, namely:—

William Rankine & Sons, general contractors, Lightburn, Cambuslang (mixed explosives).
William Rennie, cycle agent, 39 Main Street, Wishaw.
Lawrence Donald, storeman (for John Watson, Limited), Co-operative Buildings, Halfway, Cambuslang, for Gilbertfield Colliery, Cambuslang (mixed explosives).
Lawrence Donald, storeman (for John Watson, Limited), Co-operative Buildings, Halfway, Cambuslang, for Gilbertfield Colliery, Cambuslang (mixed explosives).
William Stewart, storeman, Craighead Store, Blantyre (mixed explosives).
James Thomson, storeman, Craighead Colliery, Blantyre (mixed explosives).
James Bell, lampman, Bothwellpark Collieries, Bothwell (mixed explosives).
Merry & Cunninghame, Limited, iron and coalmasters, and John Menzies, colliery manager, Auchinraith, Blantyre, for workshop at Auchinraith Colliery (mixed explosives).
Mrs. Mary Hislop, grocer, 211 Main Street, Wishaw.
Robert M. Kirkwood, ironmonger, 17 Union Street, Larkhall (mixed explosives).
John Watson, Limited, coalmasters, and William Dunbar, storeman, 53 Bothwell Street, Glasgow, for Motherwell Colliery (mixed explosives).

"Your obedient Servant,

"D. W. HIDDLESTON,
"*Clerk-Depute.*

"To the Explosives Committee for the
"Hamilton District of the Middle Ward
"of the County of Lanark."

Store licenses.

The following applications for new licenses for stores for mixed explosives (which had been examined and approved of by the inspectors) were laid before the meeting, viz.:—

1. Brand & Co., coalmasters, per John Hamilton, senr., Auldton Colliery, Netherburn, for Over Dalserf (Parish of Dalserf), Division B.
2. Brand & Co., coalmasters, per John Hamilton, senr., Auldton Colliery, Netherburn, for Woodside Colliery (Parish of Dalserf), Division B.
3. George M'Donald, colliery manager, Whitehill, Cleland, for Murdostoun Colliery, Cleland (Parish of Shotts), Division B.
4. George M'Donald, Colliery Manager, Whitehill, Cleland, for Spindleside Colliery, Cleland (Parish of Shotts), Division B.

The Inspector's report on each of the applications being to the effect that it was made in consequence of the applicant having neglected to timeously renew the license, and being otherwise satisfactory, it was agreed to grant the applications, and the Clerk was instructed to issue licenses to the applicants.

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The following report by Superintendent Anderson, Hamilton, was read to the meeting:— *Inspector Anderson's report.*

"Lanarkshire Constabulary,
"Hamilton, 26th January, 1910.

"Gentlemen,

"I have to report for your information that, at the present date, 41 licences for explosive stores have been granted within the Division. They are enumerated as follows:—

Under Division 'A,'	...	...	...	2 for mixed explosives.			
"	"	'B,'	...	...	...	12	"	"	"
"	"	'C,'	...	...	...	10	"	"	"
"	"	'D,'	...	...	...	17	"	"	"

being a decrease of four from last year, and police certificates have been granted by me for same.

"In reference to the decrease, I may state that applications for two of the licences are in hand, and a police information is submitted regarding the other two.

"Registrations have been made of 50 premises at the present date within this Division—20 for gunpowder only, and 30 for mixed explosives—and police certificates have been granted for same by me where necessary.

"As a rule, a number of small shop-keepers register later in the year, for the purpose of keeping fireworks.

"During the year I have periodically inspected the stores and premises, and found them generally in good condition and complying with the Statute.

"The conditions of Order in Council No. 12, referring to the granting of certificates for private use and not for sale, having been strictly adhered to, has had the effect of reducing the number of certificates to a small minimum—thus reducing the keeping of explosives in workmen's houses, and thereby obviating any danger of accident.

"During the year, the following-named persons were dealt with under the Explosives Act, as follows:—

William Watson, colliery manager, Skellyton Colliery, Larkhall, for keeping explosives in an unauthorised place, was, in the Sheriff Court, Hamilton, on 23rd March, 1909, fined £4.

Gilbert Lawson, stationer, Halfway, Cambuslang, selling squibs to boys under age (two offences). The committee, after consideration of the charges, instructed the Clerk to serve accused with a warning letter.

David Smith, explosives agent, Polmont, for keeping explosives in a store at Auchinraith Road, Blantyre, without having obtained the necessary Police Certificate. The information was submitted, and the Chairman instructed the Clerk that a warning letter would be sufficient.

"In reference to a store at Barnhill, licensed under Division 'D,' I have to point out that recently the circumstances regulating the prescribed distances have changed, by the landed proprietor erecting a dwelling-house and other houses, which disqualifies the store from being licensed under any Division In consequence, I have refused to grant the police certificate, and warned the owner to that effect.

"I am, Gentlemen,

"Your obedient Servant,

"Alex. Anderson,
"*Inspector.*

"To the Explosives Committee for the
"Hamilton District of the Middle Ward
"of the County of Lanark."

The committee approved of Superintendent Anderson's action in refusing a police certificate to Robert Fleming in respect of store under Division D at Barnhill, Blantyre, and the Clerk was instructed to warn the license-holder against keeping any explosives in the store in question.

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Inspector Moir's report.

The following report by Superintendent Moir, Motherwell, was also read to the meeting:—

"Lanarkshire Constabulary,
"Motherwell, 26th January, 1910.

"Gentlemen,

"I respectfully beg to report for your information that, at the present date, licences for 56 explosives stores have been issued within this Division, and police certificates to the owners of same have been granted by me.

"Registrations have been made for 93 premises, viz.:—39 mixed explosives and 54 gunpowder, for persons to keep explosives within the Division, being a decrease of 14 as compared with the same date last year. This may be accounted for by the fact that the colliery owners have now registered premises at the pits, and are able to supply the miners, who in some instances previously had registered premises of their own.

"This method is much safer, and ought to be encouraged, both among the owners and the men.

"I would draw your attention to the fact that a number of the licence holders had overlooked the renewal of their licences. I have no doubt that there was no intention to break the law, but on my recent visits I found a number who had overlooked the matter. They at once applied and had them renewed. So far as I have been able to get round the stores, I have found them in good condition, and everything carried out in accordance with the Act.

"Since last meeting nothing worthy of note has taken place in my Division.

"Alex. Moir,
"*Inspector.*

"To the Explosives Committee for the
"Hamilton District of the Middle Ward
"of the County of Lanark."

Police information.

The Clerk submitted a police information charging Thomas Moodie, Colliery Manager, residing at Mount Vernon, with keeping explosives in an unauthorised place at Haughhead Colliery, Blantyre. The Information bore that Superintendent Anderson had, on 25th January, found a quantity of explosives stored in the store in question, although the license therefor had not been renewed as at 31st December last. The committee instructed the Clerk to forward the Police Information to the Procurator-Fiscal for prosecution.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Rooms, County Buildings, there, the 13th day of April, 1910, at a Meeting of the Explosives Committee of the County Council of Lanarkshire, appointed for the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward of said County.

13th April, 1910.

Explosives Committee
(Airdrie District).

Present—

W. W. Chapman, Esq. | Adam D. Mack, Esq.
James Prentice, Esq.

Attending—

Mr. J. Dunn Russell, as Clerk to the Committee.
Mr. David Pennie, Superintendent of Police, Airdrie, as Inspector of Explosives for said District.

Mr. W. W. Chapman presiding. *Chairman.*

The minutes of last meeting of committee were read over and approved of. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk reported that, as formerly, he had given notice to all the store license holders, and that these had applied for renewal, with the exception of the following parties:— *Notice to license holders.*

1. The Ballochney Coal Company, Ltd., Rawyards, for mixed explosives at Ballochney Colliery, Whiterigg.
2. John Crawford, Dalmacoulter, for mixed explosives there.
3. David Crosbie, Kingston, Airdrie, for gunpowder at Whiterigg.
4. J. R. Cowie & Co., and George Prentice, manager, Greengairs, for mixed explosives at Blacktongue Colliery.
5. The Darngavil Coal Company, Ltd., and James Crawford, manager, for mixed explosives at No. 2 Pit, Darngavil.
6. The said Darngavil Coal Company, Ltd., and James Crawford, manager, for mixed explosives at No. 7 Pit, Darngavil.
7. The Ensleigh Coal Company, Ltd., for mixed explosives at Airdriehill Colliery, Whiterigg.
8. The said Endsleigh Coal Company, Ltd., for mixed explosives at Raebog.
9. Alex. Frew & Company, Rawyards, for mixed explosives there.
10. Peter & Mark Hurll, Glenboig, for gunpowder there.
11. John More, Whitehill, Airdrie, for mixed explosives at Thrashbush Quarry.
12. Paton & Dick, Glasgow, for mixed explosives at Colliertree.
13. James Prentice, Aitkenhead, for mixed explosives at Aitkenhead.
14. John Russell, Hamilton, for mixed explosives at Hirst Colliery, Shotts.
15. The Springbank Quarry Company, Ltd., Clarkston, for mixed explosives at Springbank.
16. The Summerlee and Mossend Iron and Steel Company, Ltd., Glasgow, for mixed explosives at Hattonrigg Colliery.
17. The said Summerlee and Mossend Iron and Steel Company, Ltd., for mixed explosives at Dunsyston.

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18. The United Collieries, Ltd., and Neil A. Wilkie, manager, for mixed explosives at Southrigg Colliery.
19. The said The United Collieries, Ltd., and Neil A. Wilkie, manager, for mixed explosives at Westrigg Colliery.

In connection with the foregoing list, the Clerk reported (1) that in lieu of the licenses referred to in Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 16, 17, 18, and, 19 inclusive, new licenses were applied for as aftermentioned; and (2) that as regards the remainder of the applications, either intimation had been received that the licenses were being dropped, or no explanation for the non-renewal had been received.

Notices of registrations received.

The Clerk also reported that he had received notice for registration of premises, in terms of the statute, from all the parties presently named on the Register and due to renew their registrations, excepting the following parties, viz. :—

1. James Anderson, grocer, Baillieston.
2. John Bird, grocer, Longmuir, Bargeddie.
3. James Y. Banks, Main Street, Baillieston.
4. J. R. Cowie & Co., Blacktongue Colliery, Greengairs.
5. The Ensleigh Coal Company, Airdrie, Raebog.
6. Andrew Morris, Main Street, Harthill.
7. J. & J. Neilson, Snipe Quarry, Forrestfield.
8. Orr & Oliver, merchants, West Benhar.
9. David Porteous, Main Street, Baillieston.
10. Mrs. Louise Scobie, Louisville, Baillieston.
11. The West Benhar Co-operative Society, Ltd., Harthill.
12. Hirst Coal Company, Ltd., Shotts.
13. Hugh Arnott, 23 Hamilton Road, Bellshill.
14. Mrs. Colbert, shopkeeper, Whiterigg.
15. Mrs. Douglas, 38 Crosshill, Baillieston.
16. James Doyle, 57 Main Street, Baillieston.
17. Janet Weir, 169 Main Street, Baillieston.
18. James Foye, 99 Causewayside Street, Tollcross.
19. Waverley Iron and Steel Company, Ltd., Coatbridge.

Inspector's report read.

The Clerk read to the meeting Superintendent Pennie's report with regard to the whole licenses and registrations in the district, which report was ordered to be engrossed at the end of this minute.

Store licenses renewed.

The meeting having considered the applications lodged with the Clerk for renewal of store licenses, as before mentioned, agreed to renew the same as from 30th March, 1910.

Registered premises.

The meeting having also considered the notices lodged with the Clerk for registration of premises, instructed the Clerk to register said premises in terms of the statute.

Notice to parties who have not renewed store licenses or registrations.

With reference to the parties who had not renewed their store licenses or their registrations, as before mentioned, the Clerk was instructed to intimate to these parties that, unless said licenses were immediately renewed, they would be subject to prosecution if they continued to keep explosives in their premises.

New applications for store licenses.

The Clerk laid before the meeting applications for new store licenses received from the following parties :—

1. The Ballochney Coal Company, coalmasters, Rawyards, Airdrie, for store for mixed explosives, under Division A, at Lochrigg Colliery, New Monkland.
2. John Crawford, quarrymaster, Dalmacoulter, for store there for mixed explosives, under Division A.
3. David Crosbie, grocer, Commonside Cottage, Airdrie, for store for mixed explosives, under Division D, at Whiterigg, New Monkland.

4. Darngavil Coal Company, Ltd., and James Macauley, secretary, for store for mixed explosives, under Division B, at No. 2 Pit, Darngavil, New Monkland.
5. The Darngavil Coal Company, Ltd., and James Macauley, secretary, for store for mixed explosives, under Division C, at No. 7 Pit, Darngavil, New Monkland.
6. Alexander Frew & Company, Rawyards, Airdrie, for store for mixed explosives, under Division B, at Rawyards Brickworks, New Monkland.
7. The Hillrigg Coal Company, Ltd., coalmasters, Rawyards, and G. B. Motherwell, Jun., secretary, for store for mixed explosives, under Division A, at Hillrigg Colliery.
8. Peter & Mark Hurll, Ltd., and E. Duraisin, secretary, for store for mixed explosives, under Division C, at Gartliston Fire-clay Works, Glenboig.
9. Kennedy Bros., explosives merchants, Glasgow, on behalf of Dr. R. Rahusen & Company, explosives manufacturers, Hamburg, for store for mixed explosives, under Division D, at Colliertree, Airdrie.
10. Summerlee Iron Company, Ltd., Glasgow, and John Thomson Forbes, secretary, for store for mixed explosives, under Division B, at Hattonrigg Colliery.
11. Summerlee Iron Company, Ltd., Glasgow, and John Thomson Forbes, secretary, for store for mixed explosives, under Division A, at Dunsyston Colliery.
12. The United Collieries, Ltd., and John Chapman, cashier, for store for mixed explosives, under Division D, at Westrigg Colliery.
13. The United Collieries, Ltd., and Hugh Scouller, cashier, for store for mixed explosives, under Division D, at Southrigg Colliery.
14. The Waverley Iron & Steel Company, Ltd., Coatbridge, and Thomas Davie, Jun., secretary, for store for mixed explosives, under Division A, at Gartness Colliery, Clarkston.

The meeting having considered said applications, together with the Inspector's reports engrossed on the same respectively, agreed to grant the same, and authorised Mr. Russell, as Clerk to the Local Authority, to sign the whole certificates or store licenses granted or renewed for the current year, all to date from 30th March, 1910. *Same granted.*

The meeting recommended that the salaries of the Clerk and Inspector for the year, from 1st January last, should be at the same rate as at present. *Salaries to officials.*

(Signed) W. W. CHAPMAN,
Chairman.

"Lanarkshire Constabulary Office,
"Airdrie, 31st March, 1910.

"To the Explosives Committee of the
"County Council of Lanarkshire,
"Airdrie District.

"Gentlemen,

"I have the honour to report for your information that for the year ended 31st March, 1910, you licensed for this district of the county 59 stores for keeping explosives, as follows:—

	Division A.		
Mixed explosives, ...	14		
Gunpowder, ...	2		
	—	16	
	Division B.		
Mixed explosives, ...	16		
Gunpowder, ...	—		
	—	16	
Carry forward, ...		32	

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Brought forward, ...			32
DIVISION C.			
Mixed explosives, ...	8		
Gunpowder, ...	3		
		—	11
DIVISION D.			
Mixed explosives, ...	15		
Gunpowder, ...	1		
		—	16
Total, ...			59

being a decrease on last year of 5.

Your Clerk has registered premises for keeping explosives as follows:—

Mixed explosives, ...	62
Gunpowder, ...	16
	78

being an increase on last year of 4.

"In terms of Order in Council (No. 12), I granted 22 certificates under Form C. to persons keeping mixed explosives for private use, and not for sale. This is a decrease of 4 on the previous year.

"During the year I have periodically visited all the stores and premises registered within the district, and found them all in a satisfactory condition and in compliance with the requirements of the statute, except the store belonging to Mr. James Prentice, grocer, Aitkenhead, who has, however, intimated that he is not to apply for renewal of the license.

"One store license at Thrashbush Quarry had to be withdrawn on account of the owner requiring to lay a hutch railway close to this store, thus disqualifying it under Order in Council (No. 6), but he accepted registration instead.

"The store belonging to John Russell, dealer in explosives, 22 Quarry Street, Hamilton, situated at Hirst Colliery, has been taken down by order of the Hirst Coal Company, and will not be rebuilt.

"I am, Gentlemen,

"Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd.) "DAVID PENNIE,
"*Inspector.*

"(Countersigned) H. J. DESPARD,
"*Capt.*"

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